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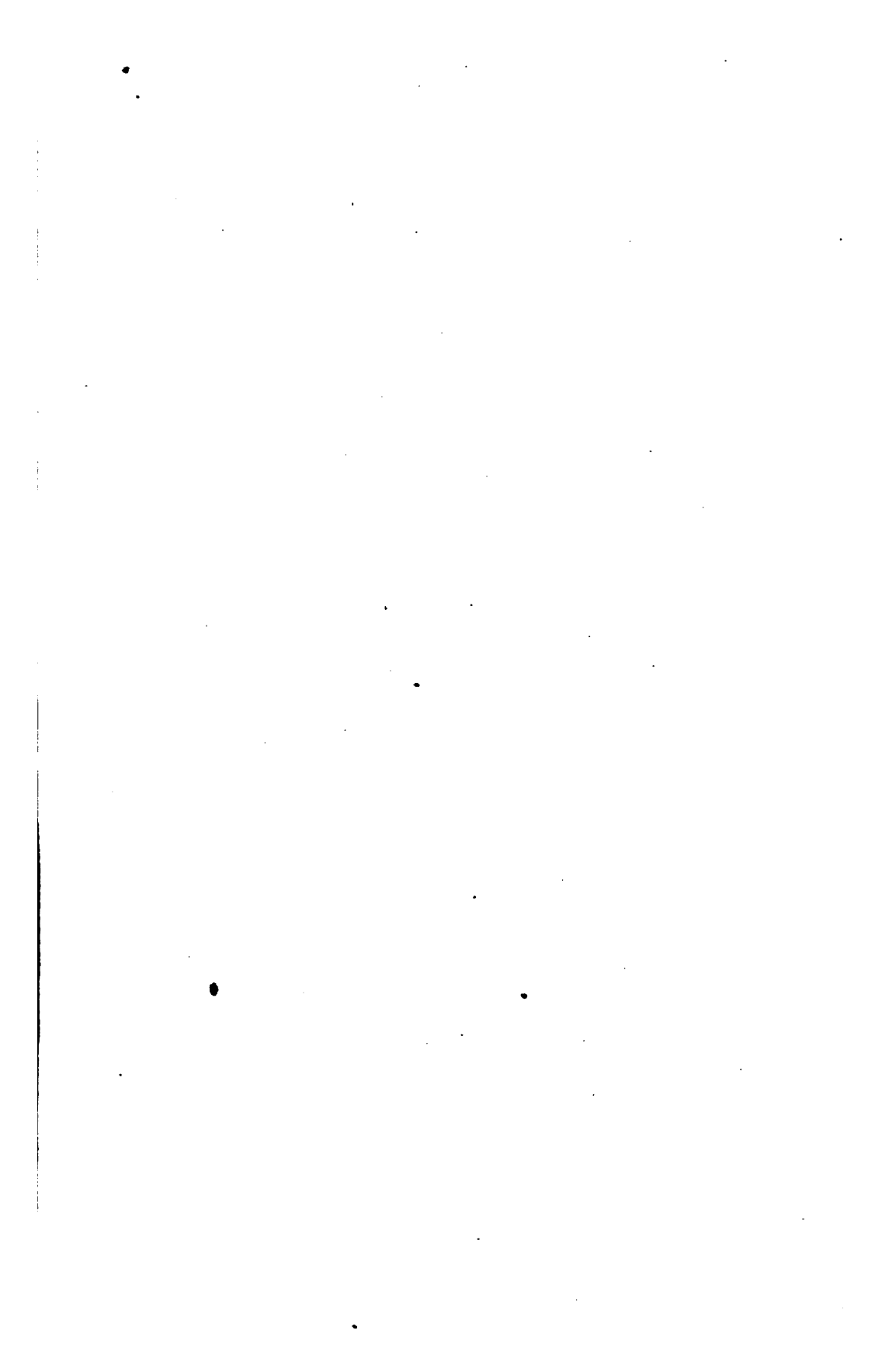
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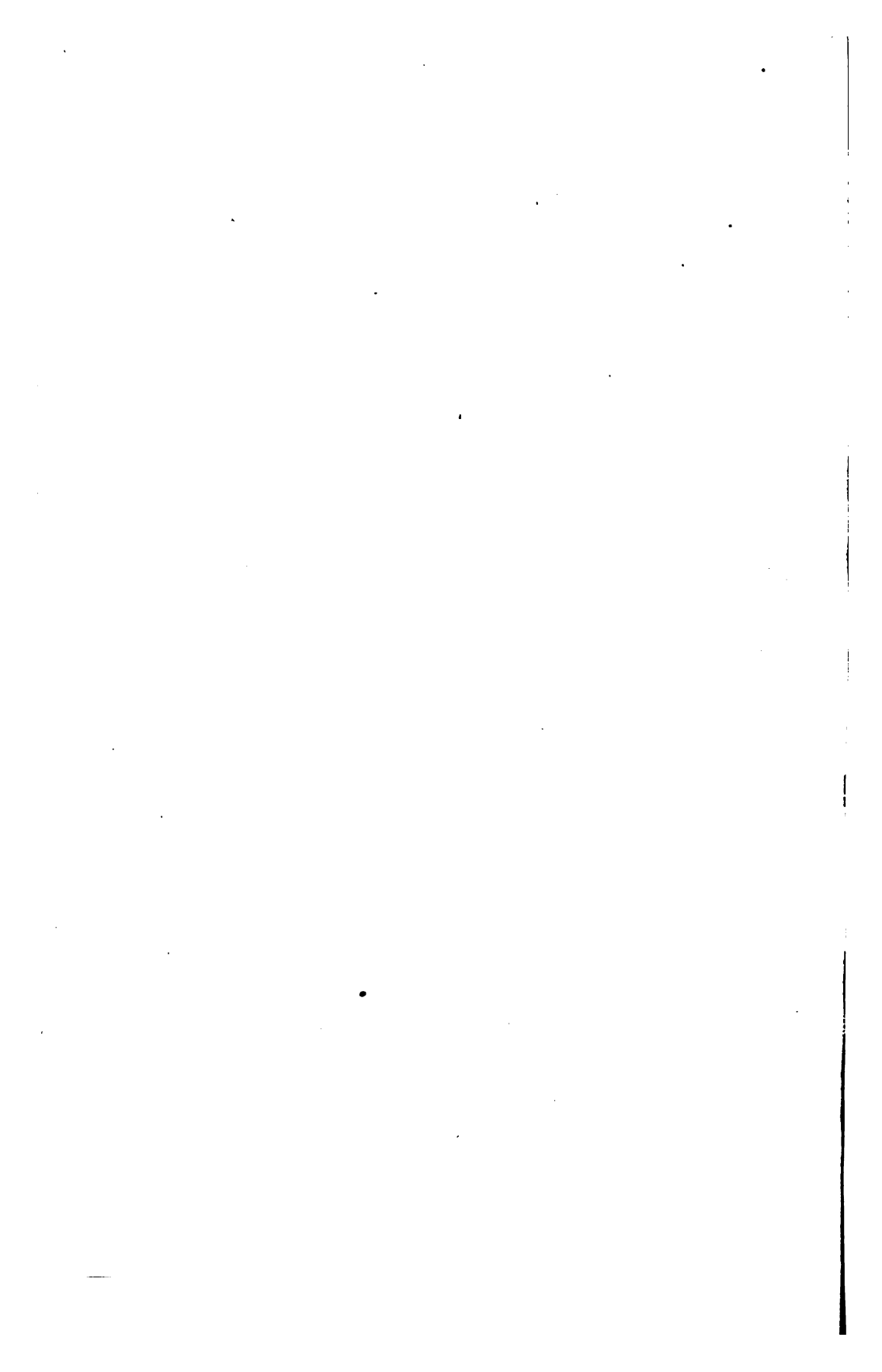
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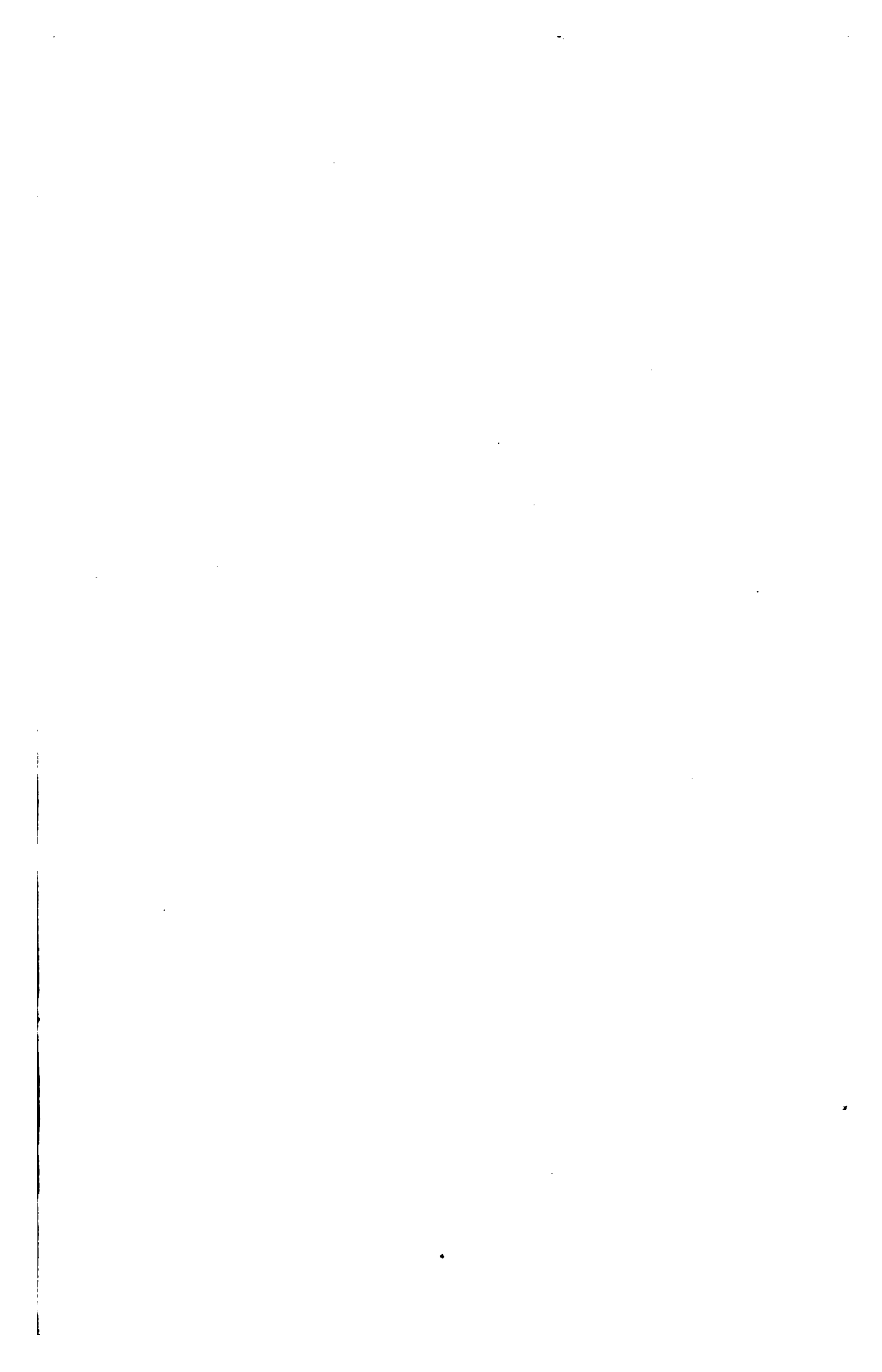
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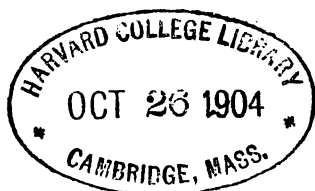
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MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY.

[Names of *past* members in italics; of *present* members in small capitals.]

Date of Original Appointment.	NAME.	Residence.	Qualified.	Retired.	Term Expires.
June 7, 1879,	<i>Moses Kimball,†</i>	Boston,	June 12, 1879,	October 27, 1880,*	-
June 7, 1879,	<i>Nathan Allen, M.D.,†</i>	Lowell,	June 19, 1879,	June 7, 1880,	-
June 7, 1879,	<i>Henry I. Bonditch, M.D.,†</i>	Boston,	June 12, 1879,	January 24, 1880,*	-
June 7, 1879,	CHARLES F. DONNELLY,	Boston,	September 8, 1897,	June 7, 1883,†	June 7, 1902.
June 7, 1879,	EDWARD HITCHCOCK, M.D.,	Amherst,	June 5, 1896,	-	June 7, 1901.
June 7, 1879,	<i>Albert Wood, M.D.,</i>	Worcester,	June 10, 1879,	June 7, 1880,	-
June 7, 1879,	<i>Robert T. Davis, M.D.,</i>	Fall River,	June 14, 1879,	January 22, 1884,*	-
June 7, 1879,	<i>John C. Hoadley,†</i>	Lawrence,	June 19, 1879,	November 16, 1882,*	-
June 7, 1879,	<i>Ezra Parmenter, M.D.,†</i>	Cambridge,	June 18, 1879,	February, 1883,*	-
January 27, 1880,	<i>David L. Webster,</i>	Boston,	January 30, 1880,	April 11, 1881,*	-
June 8, 1880,	<i>Charles F. Folsom, M.D.,</i>	Boston,	June 9, 1880,	January 14, 1881,*	-
June 8, 1880,	<i>Clara T. Leonard,</i>	Springfield,	June 12, 1880,	March 19, 1886,*	-
November 5, 1880,	<i>Thomas Talbot,†</i>	Billerica,	November 12, 1880,	March 12, 1884,	-
January 22, 1881,	<i>Alfred Hoerner, M.D.,†</i>	Watertown,	January 28, 1881,	December 4, 1882,*	-
April 18, 1881,	<i>George P. Carter,†</i>	Cambridge,	April 19, 1881,	June 7, 1883,	-
November 23, 1882,	<i>John Fallon,†</i>	Lawrence,	December 2, 1882,	December 15, 1889,§	-
December 8, 1882,	<i>Henry P. Walcott, M.D.,</i>	Cambridge,	December 12, 1882,	June 7, 1885,	-
February 14, 1883,	<i>Albert A. Haggeth,</i>	Lowell,	February 17, 1883,	October 26, 1885,*	-
May 31, 1883,	<i>Reuben Noble,†</i>	Westfield,	June 12, 1883,	June 16, 1885,*	-
July 18, 1883,	<i>Edgar E. Dean, M.D.,†</i>	Brookton,	July 27, 1883,	December 1, 1887,*	-
March 19, 1884,	<i>Everett Torrey,</i>	Boston,	March 24, 1884,	August 16, 1886,*	-
June 16, 1885,	<i>Charles A. Denny,</i>	Lancaster,	June 18, 1885,	November 4, 1889,*	-
July 16, 1885,	<i>Samuel A. Green, M.D.,</i>	Boston,	July 17, 1885,	May 16, 1886,*	-

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

April 14, 1886,	ANNE B. RICHARDSON.	.	.	.	Lowell,	.	.	June 21, 1896,	-	-	June 7, 1900.
April 21, 1886,	HELENISTA G. CODMAN,	.	.	.	Brookline,	.	.	June 29, 1897,	-	-	June 7, 1902.
December 22, 1886,	Richard L. Hodgdon, M.D.,†	.	.	.	Arlington,	.	.	December 24, 1886,	January	30, 1893,§	-
December 22, 1886,	Charles C. Coffin,†	.	.	.	Boston,	.	.	December 27, 1886,	December 17, 1889,*	-	-
January 25, 1888,	D. Webster King,	.	.	.	Boston,	.	.	January 27, 1888,	August 5, 1889,*	-	-
December 4, 1889,	George W. Johnson,	.	.	.	Brookfield,	.	.	June 3, 1893,	June 22, 1898,	-	-
December 24, 1889,	Henry Stone,†	.	.	.	Boston,	.	.	May 27, 1893,	January 1, 1894,*	-	-
December 24, 1889,	LABELL PRATT,	.	.	.	Boston,	.	.	June 16, 1894,	-	-	June 7, 1899.
January 1, 1890,	Ziba C. Keith,	.	.	.	Brockton,.	.	.	January 4, 1890,	June 11, 1891,	-	-
June 11, 1891,	Charles J. Curran, M.D.,	.	.	.	North Adams,	.	.	June 12, 1891,	June 7, 1896,	-	-
June 22, 1893,	Richard M. Hodges, M.D.,†	.	.	.	Boston,	.	.	June 26, 1893,	January 1, 1895,*	-	-
February 16, 1894,	LEONTINE LINCOLN,	.	.	.	Fall River,	.	.	June 24, 1898,	-	-	June 7, 1903.
February 14, 1895,	John L. Hildreth,	.	.	.	Cambridge,	.	.	September 3, 1895,	July 2, 1898,*	-	-
June 4, 1896,	Edward H. Haskell,	.	.	.	Newton,	.	.	July 9, 1896,	November 2, 1897,*	-	-
November 16, 1897,	JABEZ FOX,	.	.	.	Cambridge,	.	.	November 20, 1897,	-	-	June 7, 1901.
June 22, 1898,	HENRY S. NOURSE,	.	.	.	Lancaster,	.	.	June 29, 1898,	-	-	June 7, 1903.
July 7, 1898,	JAMES M. PULLMAN, D.D.,	.	.	.	Lynn,	.	.	July 21, 1898,	-	-	June 7, 1900.

STEPHEN C. WRIGHTINGTON, Superintendent of State Adult Poor.

WILLIAM P. DERBY, M.D., *Superintendent of State Minor Wards.*

CHARLES E. WOODBURY, M.D., Inspector of Institutions.

JOHN D. WELLS, Clerk and Auditor of the Board.

*** Resigned.**

† Deceased.

† Reappointed February 8, 1884.

§ Died in office.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION.

1. PROVIDING FOR THE COMMITMENT OF INDIGENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN TO THE CUSTODY OF THE BOARD, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE QUESTION OF THEIR SETTLEMENT. (See page 31.)
2. PROVIDING THAT THE AGE LIMIT OF INFANTS RECEIVED FOR BOARD, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 194 OF THE ACTS OF 1891, BE RAISED FROM ONE YEAR TO THREE YEARS. (See page 38)
3. PROVIDING FOR A CODIFICATION OF ALL THE LAWS RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF INFANTS, AND THE LICENSING AND REGULATING OF INFANT BOARDING-HOUSES. (See page 39.)
4. PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL REPORTS TO BE MADE TO THE BOARD BY ALL INCORPORATED CHARITABLE SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE COMMONWEALTH. (See page 167.)
5. PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY TO BE GIVEN TO THE BOARD TO SEND TO THE STATE ALMSHOUSE ANY JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN ITS CUSTODY, OR IN THE CUSTODY OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE LYMAN AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS, WHO ARE IN NEED OF HOSPITAL TREATMENT. (See page 207.)

SUMMARY OF INSANE AND POOR.

Insane in the State under Supervision, September 30, 1898.

In Hospitals and Asylums,	6,865
In Town Almshouses,	874
In private families,	147
Total,	<u>7,886</u>

Cost of support in the State Hospitals and Asylums,	\$967,826.95
Annual cost, <i>per capita</i> , in the State Hospitals and Asylums,	165.55

Poor in the State within the Year ending September 30, 1898.

In-Door Poor supported, average,	State,	4,187	
	Town,	10,107	
		<u> </u>	14,294
Out-Door Poor supported, average,	State,	1,063	
	Town,	1,003	
		<u> </u>	2,066
Out-Door Poor relieved,	State,	20,214	
	Town,	41,980	
		<u> </u>	62,194
Cost of support and relief — Towns,			\$2,400,206
Cost of support and relief — State,			626,372
Total,			<u>\$3,026,578</u>

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, December 17, 1898.

To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council :

The Twentieth Annual Report of the State Board of Lunacy
and Charity is herewith respectfully presented.

LEONTINE LINCOLN, *Chairman.*

HENRIETTA G. CODMAN, *Vice-Chairman.*

CHARLES F. DONNELLY.

EDWARD HITCHCOCK.

ANNE B. RICHARDSON.

LABAN PRATT.

JABEZ FOX.

HENRY S. NOURSE.

JAMES M. PULLMAN.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
STATE BOARD OF LUNACY AND CHARITY OF
MASSACHUSETTS.

The Legislature of 1898 passed an Act (Chapter 433, Acts of 1898), establishing a State Board of Insanity, and providing that "all the powers possessed by and all the duties incumbent upon the state board of lunacy and charity relative to the state hospitals and asylums for the insane and to other institutions, asylums and receptacles for the insane or feeble-minded, public or private, relative to insane persons generally, and as commissioners in lunacy, relative to the Massachusetts hospital for epileptics, the Massachusetts hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children, are hereby taken from the said state board of lunacy and charity and vested in the state board of insanity, and said state board of insanity is hereby authorized and empowered to assume and exercise the same. The said state board of insanity shall also succeed to all the rights, powers and duties of the said state board of lunacy and charity in respect to all the insane poor placed in families by the latter board, and said insane poor so boarded out are hereby transferred to the care, custody and control of the said board of insanity without further process of law. The state board of lunacy and charity shall hereafter be called the state board of charity, and shall have and exercise all the powers now possessed by it, and all the duties now incumbent upon it, except when otherwise by law provided, including all questions relating to the settlement or non-settlement of the state poor coming under the control of the state institutions under its supervision, and under the supervision of the state board

of insanity, and shall administer the laws of settlement relating to the support of the state's sane poor by cities and towns, and shall prosecute all cases of bastardy of non-settled persons."

As the new legislation did not go into effect until October 1, 1898, this Report for the official year ending September 30, 1898, is the Report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity, and its final one. To this is added an abstract of the proceedings of the Board of Charity up to the day of issuing the Report.

On July 1, 1898, the Board made an important change in its organization, — one which it had had under consideration for some years, and had only awaited a favorable time to carry into effect. At the time of its establishment in 1879 as a Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity, provision was made for four distinct Divisions or Departments, namely: — a Department of Health, a Department of Inspector of Charities, a Department of In-Door Poor, and a Department of Out-Door Poor. To the Superintendent of In-Door Poor was assigned the duty of executing the laws relating to the State poor in the several State establishments, and it was provided also that he should have the immediate care and custody of all juvenile wards of the State over three years of age. The Superintendent of Out-Door Poor was charged with the execution of the laws relating to the State poor in the several towns and cities of the Commonwealth, and he also had the care of the State infants, or children under three years of age.

The business of the Board, thus arranged, was conducted for some time without difficulty, especially while the number of children under the direction of the two Departments was comparatively small. But, with the steady increase of the juvenile wards of the State year by year, it became more and more evident that a better division of duties might be made. It was therefore voted that from and after July 1, 1898, all persons under the care of the Board should be divided into two classes, to be called respectively the State adult poor, and the State minor wards; the first to be under the charge of the former Superintendent of In-Door Poor, now to be known as the Superintendent of State Adult Poor,

and the second under the direction of the former Superintendent of Out-Door Poor, now to be designated the Superintendent of State Minor Wards.

Under the new provision the work goes on essentially as before; the employees of the In-Door Department concerned in the care of children being transferred to the Division of State Minor Wards, and the employees of the Out-Door Department concerned in the care of adults being transferred to the Division of State Adult Poor. But there is this noteworthy difference, — that each of the Heads of Divisions is relieved of the double and somewhat incongruous set of duties hitherto imposed upon him.

MEMBERS. — COMMITTEES. — CHIEF AGENTS.

The nine members of the Board are appointed by the Governor and Council for terms of five years each, or until their successors are chosen. They serve without compensation, but their travelling expenses are paid by the State.

During the past official year there have been two changes in the membership of the Board. The terms of office of both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Lincoln expired June 7, 1898. Mr. Johnson declined a re-appointment, and was succeeded, June 29, 1898, by Mr. Henry S. Nourse, of Lancaster. Mr. Lincoln was re-appointed, and elected Chairman of the Board. Dr. Hildreth resigned July 2, 1898, and was succeeded by James M. Pullman, D.D., of Lynn. The membership is now as follows: —

LEONTINE LINCOLN, of Fall River, *Chairman*.

HENRIETTA G. CODMAN, of Brookline, *Vice-Chairman*.

CHARLES F. DONNELLY, of Boston.

EDWARD HITCHCOCK, M.D., of Amherst.

ANNE B. RICHARDSON, of Lowell.

LABAN PRATT, of Boston.

JABEZ FOX, of Cambridge.

HENRY S. NOURSE, of Lancaster.

JAMES M. PULLMAN, D.D., of Lynn.

New by-laws were prepared in accordance with the changes in the Departments of the Board, and were adopted June 20, 1898, to go into effect July 1, 1898.

These by-laws provide, as did the old ones, that regular meetings shall be held on the first Saturday of each month, in the rooms of the Board at the State House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, or at such other place and hour as the Board may determine. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman. The by-laws also provide for the annual election of a Clerk, a Superintendent of State Adult Poor, and a Superintendent of State Minor Wards.

The Statutes authorize the Board to assign any of its powers and duties to agents appointed for the purpose, and to execute any of its functions by such agents, or by committees appointed from and by said Board.

The Standing Committees of the Board, as appointed at the meeting of June 20, and the subsequent meeting, were as follows : —

Committee of General Visitation and Inspection: Mr. PRATT, Mr. NOURSE, Mr. FOX.

Committee on State Adult Poor: Mr. FOX, Mr. PRATT, Dr. HITCHCOCK, Mr. NOURSE.

Committee on State Minor Wards: Mrs. CODMAN, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. LINCOLN, Dr. PULLMAN.

Committee on Removal of Insane Persons out of the State: The CHAIRMAN, the VICE-CHAIRMAN, Mr. PRATT.

Committee on Lunacy: Dr. HITCHCOCK, Mrs. CODMAN, Mr. LINCOLN, Mr. NOURSE.

The Executive Committee consists of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

The chief agents of the Board are the Heads of the several Divisions.

Stephen C. Wrightington is Superintendent of the Division of State Adult Poor. His Deputies are Joshua F. Lewis, M.D., in charge of the in-door poor; and George B. Tufts, in charge of the out-door poor.

William P. Derby, M.D., is Superintendent of the Division of State Minor Wards. His Deputies are Bertha W. Jacobs, in charge of the children; and Sarah M. Crawford, M.D., in charge of the infants.

John D. Wells is Clerk and Auditor of the Board.

Up to the close of the official year Charles E. Woodbury, M.D., was Inspector of Institutions, with Henry C. Prentiss, M.D., as Deputy.

In addition to these agents, and exclusive of the Department of Inspector of Institutions, the Board regularly employs eighteen clerks, twenty-seven visitors, two transportation officers, and three messengers; making a total of fifty-seven persons, of whom thirty-four are men and twenty-three women. It has also in its service about eighty volunteer visitors, all women. The clerks are employed at the State House during the regular State House hours. The visitors and transportation officers are not restricted to these hours, but travel at whatever time their duties may call them, both within and outside of the State.

ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENTS.

The Division of State Adult Poor, which has to do with the investigation of settlements of paupers, with reference to the question of liability of support, — whether by State, town, or private individuals, — and the transportation of sane paupers out of the State to the states or countries where they belong, and cases of sick State paupers, dangerous diseases, and the temporary relief of State paupers, employs, in addition to its Superintendent and Deputy Superintendents, nine clerks, — three men and six women; seven visitors, — all men; two transportation officers, — a man and a woman; and two messengers.

The Division of State Minor Wards, which has to do with the care and maintenance of all the State children, employs, in addition to its Superintendent and Deputy Superintendents, seven clerks, — all women; twenty-one visitors, — thirteen men and eight women; and one messenger. Of the visitors, one man is a medical officer, assisting the Deputy Superintendent of Infants. Another man, appointed by the Board for the immediate supervision of licensed boarding-houses for infants, and the investigation of cases of violation of the boarding-house law, is also commissioned by the Governor as a special district police officer, under the legislation of 1895, to enforce the provisions of the laws with regard to

the protection of infants. Nine men attend courts in the interest of juvenile offenders, investigate homes, and visit boys in places; and another man, a visitor-at-large, has the general oversight of their duties. Five women have the immediate supervision of children between the ages of three and twelve placed at board; and one woman, a visitor-at-large, with two assistants, coöperates with the Auxiliary Visitors in the placing and oversight of the girls over twelve years of age placed in families, — this work including occasional court attendance. The Auxiliary Visitors live in different towns in this State and a few in adjoining States; they are appointed annually by the Board with special reference to their qualifications for such duties; and they serve without pay, their travelling expenses being paid by the State. They hold three meetings yearly for the purpose of consultation, two generally at the State House in Boston, and one at the State Industrial School at Lancaster.

The Auxiliary Visitors in office at the close of the official year, Sept. 30, 1898, were as follows: Mary A. Andrews, Vergennes, Vt.; Eliza A. Babbitt, Westford; Eliza L. Barnard, Worcester; Susan M. Barrus, Williamsburg; Mary W. Bartol, Lancaster; Cyrene J. Bean, South Paris, Me.; Anna C. Bird, East Walpole; Martha B. Bishop, North Brookfield; Frances Brewer, Northampton; Alice T. S. Brewster, Pittsfield; Elizabeth R. Bridgman, Belcher-town; Mary E. Brown, West Roxbury; Helen J. C. Butler, North Adams; Carrie E. Buzzell, Durham, N. H.; Ella F. Bucklyn, New Bedford; Elizabeth H. Chapin, Springfield; Belinda W. Cloyes, Framingham; Emily G. Collins, Brattleboro, Vt.; Annah H. R. Cook, Hartford, Conn.; Mary C. Crump, New London, Conn.; Mary S. Eaton, Concord; Elizabeth H. Elliot, Jamaica Plain; Carrie S. Emmons, Russell; Lilla A. Evans, Waterbury, Vt.; Nella B. French, Clinton; Miranda Gibbons, Granville; Julia A. Gibson, Somerville; Elvira Gorham, Bellows Falls, Vt.; Cornelia S. Harmon, Lynn; Ellen M. Hartwell, Littleton; Mary Catherine Hicks, Stafford Springs, Conn.; Lucy A. Hitchcock, Palmer; Sarah Howard, Wakefield; Florence W. Hutchinson, Pepperell; Leura E. Jenkins, Barre; Maria L. Johnson, Lynn; Adelaide H. Jones, East Derry, N. H.;

Amanda T. C. King, Thompsonville, Conn.; Sarah F. Lampher, Montville, Conn.; Ophelia M. A. Lovejoy, Haverhill; Lois Allyn Mason, Winchendon; Caroline E. Maynard, Dedham; Mabel G. Merrill, Worcester; Lucy A. Morton, Springfield; Mary K. Morton, Hatfield; Harriet E. Noyes, Ipswich; Ellen A. Newell, Winchester; Rose Chandler Paine, Worcester; Mary W. Palfrey, Cambridge; Sarah F. Palmer, Livermore Falls, Me.; Amelia S. Phelps, Wilbraham; Amy Porter, Hartford, Conn.; Lydia A. Pratt, Shelburne Falls; Sarah C. Purrington, Farmington, Me.; Catherine N. Ranger, North Brookfield; Sarah C. Read, North Adams; S. Ellen Robertson, Chicopee; Mary C. Rogers, Canton; Celeste S. Russell, Great Barrington; Mary H. Rust, East Bridgewater; Annie E. Smith, Newton; Helen T. Spalding, Webster; Ellen B. Stebbins, Roslindale; Marrietta H. Stevens, Westfield; Elizabeth Thurber, Plymouth; Hattie M. Trask, Richmond, Me.; Charlotte H. P. Twitchell, Greenfield; Ellen H. Underwood, South Dennis; Lucy G. Wadsworth, Boston; Eliza G. Washburn, Hyde Park; Alice E. Wetherbee, Fall River; Martha Lee Whelden, West Barnstable; Harriet R. Wiley, Wellfleet; C. Amelia Williams, Taunton; Mary L. Williams, Dedham; Emma M. Wilson, Athol; Elizabeth L. Withington, Newburyport; Adeline V. Wood, Middleborough; M. Anna Yerrington, Norwich, Conn.

Up to the close of the official year, and prior to the establishment of the State Board of Insanity, the Department of Inspector of Institutions was continued as a Department of this Board. This Department has regularly employed, in addition to the Deputy Inspector, three clerks, — a man and two women; and a visitor, — a woman, chiefly engaged in the visitation of local almshouses. It has been the Inspector's duty to exercise constant watchfulness over all the institutions the Board was required to supervise, including all city and town almshouses containing insane inmates; to see that the statutes regulating the commitment and detention of lunatics were complied with; to execute all the provisions of the laws relating to the board of insane persons in families; to make detailed monthly reports of all his visits; and to perform statistical work not otherwise

assigned. He has thus been the Board's general supervisory officer, and its principal agent in the performance of its duties as a Commission in Lunacy.

The Clerk of the Board is required to be present at the meetings of the Board and of some of its Committees, and keep a record of their transactions; to conduct the Board's correspondence, under its direction; to secure from Overseers of the Poor stated returns concerning pauper children supported in almshouses and in private families; to receive and disburse all money used by the visitors of the Board for their travelling expenses, to have custody of the Board's records and files, and of all funds that may come to the Board or its wards; and to audit all bills against the Commonwealth on the part of the Board. The Clerk employs a clerical assistant.

THE STATE ADULT POOR.

The State adult poor consist *first*, of the inmates of the several State institutions supported by the Commonwealth; and *second*, of the poor in the several cities and towns whose expenses in cases of sickness, temporary need, transportation, and burial, are in like manner payable by the State.

Settlement Work.

One of the duties of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor is to investigate questions of the settlement of all poor persons, and decide, upon the evidence obtainable, whether State, town, or private individual is liable for their support. This work is performed by correspondence and by visits, both to the State institutions, and to the several cities and towns in which the poor persons reside; and it engages the constant attention of a large part of the office force.

The following table is a summary of the work done, during the official year, in the investigation of the settlements of inmates of the State institutions under the supervision of the Board.

Settlement Work.

ESTABLISHMENTS—PARTICULARS.	1897.			1898.									Total.
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	
<i>Worcester Lunatic Hospital.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	31	33	25	30	35	18	22	43	34	34	38	17	360
Settlement,	16	29	24	23	24	19	18	21	28	23	30	44	299
No settlement,	10	5	2	7	3	4	-	4	8	4	-	19	66
Withdrawn,	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
Total,	27	34	26	30	28	28	18	25	36	27	30	65	369
<i>Taunton Lunatic Hospital.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	16	16	26	16	20	12	23	23	8	18	23	37	238
Settlement,	11	15	18	10	16	13	12	13	13	12	17	39	189
No settlement,	4	2	3	2	3	8	1	4	3	1	2	10	38
Withdrawn,	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	6
Total,	16	17	21	12	19	16	14	18	16	13	19	51	232
<i>Northampton Lunatic Hospital.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	8	-	8	-	5	1	-	-	-	8	-	-	30
Settlement,	3	2	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	4	-	1	15
No settlement,	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	2	-	3	11
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	4	3	2	1	3	-	-	3	-	6	-	4	26
<i>Danvers Lunatic Hospital.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	22	41	36	28	29	33	29	30	20	20	47	34	369
Settlement,	17	21	34	21	14	22	35	21	20	13	19	57	294
No settlement,	8	4	4	7	-	9	2	8	4	1	1	2	50
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
Total,	25	25	38	28	14	31	37	29	24	14	20	62	347
<i>Westborough Insane Hospital.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	36	19	12	3	30	10	11	10	13	25	20	10	199
Settlement,	9	22	15	4	13	5	16	6	8	10	11	25	144
No settlement,	6	4	2	2	7	5	-	5	4	1	3	8	47
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
Total,	15	26	17	6	20	10	16	11	13	11	14	34	193
<i>Massachusetts Hospital for Dip- somania and Inebriates.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	27	26	23	18	20	11	9	14	9	23	26	25	231
Settlement,	10	30	21	16	11	14	6	11	7	9	8	39	182
No settlement,	5	2	1	3	1	3	1	-	2	-	-	3	21
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Total,	15	32	22	19	12	17	7	11	11	9	8	42	205
<i>Massachusetts Hospital for Epi- leptics.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	-	33
Settlement,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	8	14
No settlement,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	9	16
<i>State Almshouse, Lunatic Ward.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	3	1	1	4	5	1	4	1	-	1	1	-	22
Settlement,	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	5
No settlement,	1	-	-	2	2	-	1	-	1	2	-	2	11
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total,	1	-	-	2	3	-	4	1	2	2	-	2	17

Settlement Work — Concluded.

ESTABLISHMENTS — PARTICULARS.	1897.			1898.									Total.
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	
<i>Asylum for Criminal Insane—State Farm.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	9	-	4	4	1	1	2	1	3	-	2	2	29
Settlement,	8	3	2	2	1	-	1	3	2	-	2	2	21
No settlement,	-	1	2	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	8
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	8	4	4	8	1	3	2	3	2	-	2	2	29
<i>School for Feeble-Minded.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	1	12	2	4	-	5	13	11	-	5	7	2	62
Settlement,	1	8	3	5	-	5	7	10	2	1	3	9	54
No settlement,	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	8
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	2	9	3	5	-	5	8	10	6	2	3	9	62
<i>State Almshouse.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	39	40	51	51	40	23	32	24	29	31	8	58	426
Settlement,	12	22	16	25	20	11	16	14	15	12	13	42	218
No settlement,	10	17	3	12	8	9	8	11	8	11	3	31	131
Withdrawn,	1	-	5	11	5	8	5	-	4	6	-	10	55
Total,	23	39	24	48	33	28	29	25	27	29	16	83	404
<i>State Farm.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	3	2	2	1	1	2	2	3	-	-	-	2	13
Settlement,	-	1	-	1	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
No settlement,	2	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	7
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	2	1	-	1	2	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	13
<i>Total for Insane and Idiots.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	153	148	137	107	145	92	113	133	87	134	197	127	1,573
Settlement,	70	130	119	82	81	78	98	87	80	72	96	224	1,217
No settlement,	36	20	14	24	18	27	7	23	26	12	7	48	262
Withdrawn,	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	4	-	-	8	17
Total,	108	150	133	106	100	105	106	111	110	84	103	280	1,496
<i>Total for Paupers.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	42	42	53	52	41	25	34	27	29	31	8	60	444
Settlement,	12	23	16	26	21	14	16	14	15	12	13	42	224
No settlement,	12	17	3	12	9	10	10	12	8	11	3	31	138
Withdrawn,	1	-	5	11	5	8	5	-	4	6	-	10	56
Total,	25	40	24	49	35	32	31	26	27	29	16	83	417
<i>Aggregates.</i>													
Cases entered for investigation,	195	190	190	159	186	117	147	160	116	165	205	187	2,017
Settlement,	82	153	135	108	102	92	114	101	95	84	109	266	1,441
No settlement,	48	37	17	36	27	37	17	35	34	23	10	79	400
Withdrawn,	3	-	5	11	6	8	6	1	8	6	-	18	72
Total,	133	190	157	155	135	137	137	137	137	113	119	363	1,913

Cases pending October 1, 1897, 197

Cases pending October 1, 1898, 301

The amount charged cities, towns, and kindred for the support at State Institutions of patients originally entered as State charges, but afterwards ascertained either to have local settlements or to be properly chargeable to private account, was \$95,417.18. Of this amount \$37,377.55 was for inmates of the State Lunatic Hospitals, \$6,379.23 for inmates of the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, \$4,050.33 for inmates of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, \$30,502.73 for inmates of the State Almshouse, \$16,199.66 for inmates of the State Farm, \$65.00 for inmates of the Hospital Cottages for Children, \$842.68 for inmates of the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.

As a result of these settlement investigations the changes from State to town and private account were as follows:—

Danvers Lunatic Hospital.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	252	
To private account,	. . . . .	15 —	267

Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	252	
To private account,	. . . . .	16 —	268

Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

To account of town of settlement,	168	
To private account,	. . . . .	4 —	172

Westborough Insane Hospital.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	131	
To private account,	. . . . .	12 —	143

Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	10	
To private account,	. . . . .	0 —	10

Worcester Insane Asylum.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	5	
To private account,	. . . . .	0 —	5

Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	125	
To private account,	. . . . .	4 —	129

Lunatic Ward of State Almshouse.

To account of town of settlement,	. . . . .	3	
To private account,	. . . . .	0 —	3

State Asylum for Insane Criminals (State Farm).

To account of town of settlement,	3	
To private account,	0 —	3

Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded.

To account of town of settlement,	93	
To private account,	2 —	95

Whole number charged to town of settlement,	1,042	
Whole number charged to private account,	53 —	1,095

The following table is a summary of the work done, during the official year, in the investigation of settlements of the poor of the several cities and towns.

SETTLEMENTS.	1897.			1898.									Totals.
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	
<i>Sick State Poor.</i>													
Cases investigated, . . .	422	350	322	413	348	282	352	467	320	429	203	378	4,286
Settlements, . . .	26	24	30	38	36	29	22	24	15	26	15	32	317
Persons settled, . . .	38	33	41	45	54	45	36	33	25	35	33	34	452
<i>Wife Settlement.</i>													
Cases investigated, . . .	22	10	29	35	25	50	52	35	16	11	15	14	314
Settlements, . . .	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	4
Persons settled, . . .	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	4
<i>Temporary Aid.</i>													
Cases investigated, . . .	113	78	113	183	283	199	199	299	158	239	203	129	2,196
Settlements, . . .	15	13	17	20	20	28	33	35	13	23	13	9	239
Persons settled, . . .	46	37	45	84	94	112	124	144	39	96	49	36	906
<i>Burial.</i>													
Cases investigated, . . .	81	175	33	—	33	17	16	13	—	70	—	43	481
Settlements, . . .	2	1	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	9
Persons settled, . . .	2	1	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	9
<i>Totals.</i>													
Cases investigated, . . .	638	613	497	631	689	548	619	814	494	749	421	564	7,277
Settlements, . . .	43	38	53	58	57	57	57	60	28	49	28	41	569
Persons settled, . . .	86	71	92	129	149	157	162	178	64	131	82	70	1,371

The last Legislature amended the laws relating to settlement in the following particulars:

First, It is provided that for the purpose of acquiring a settlement in any place the payment of taxes required must be made within the five years of residence. The amended law is as follows:

“ Clause fifth of section one of chapter eighty-three of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word ‘and’, in the second line, the words:— within that time,— so that the clause as amended shall read as follows:— Fifth, Any person of the age of twenty-one years, who resides in any place within this state for five years together, and within that time pays all state, county, city, or town taxes, duly assessed on his poll or estate, for any three years within that time, shall thereby gain a settlement in such place.”

Second, It is provided that settlements not fully acquired subsequent to May 1, 1860, are defeated and lost, and also that hereafter ten years’ absence from the State shall destroy a settlement. The amended law is as follows:—

“ Section six of said chapter is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:— Section 6. All settlements not fully acquired subsequent to the first day of May in the year eighteen hundred and sixty are hereby defeated and declared to be lost, except where the existence of such settlement prevented a subsequent acquisition of settlement in the same place: provided, that whenever a settlement acquired by marriage has been thus defeated the former settlement of the wife, if not defeated by the same provision, shall be thereby revived. All persons absent from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for ten years in succession shall lose their settlement.”

Third, It is provided that a married woman shall be under the same legal obligation to support her pauper children as rests upon the father, with the result that hereafter a married woman shall not be in process of acquiring a pauper settlement while her children are being maintained at the expense of the public, from funds appropriated for the maintenance of indigent persons. The law is as follows:—

“ Section six of chapter eighty-four of the Public Statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words:— and hereafter the same legal obligation to support her pauper children shall rest upon the mother as now by law rests upon the father: provided, however, that the mother shall not be liable to criminal prosecution for the enforcement of such

legal obligation, — so as to read as follows: — Section 6. The kindred of such poor persons, in the line or degree of father or grandfather, mother or grandmother, children or grandchildren, by consanguinity, living in this state and of sufficient ability, shall be bound to support such paupers, in proportion to their respective ability, and hereafter the same legal obligation to support her pauper children shall rest upon the mother as now by law rests upon the father: provided, however, that the mother shall not be liable to criminal prosecution for the enforcement of such legal obligation."

Another provision extends the period for which expense of maintenance may be recovered from the kindred of dependents obliged by law to maintain them from six months to twenty-four months. The law is as follows: —

"Section seven of said chapter eighty-four is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: — Section 7. Any justice of the superior court sitting in equity in the county where any one of such kindred to be charged resides, upon complaint of any city, town, or kindred who has been at expense for the relief and support of such pauper, may on due hearing assess and proportion thereto such sum as he shall deem reasonable for or towards the support of the pauper to the time of such assessment, and may enforce payment thereof by execution in common form: provided, that such assessment shall not extend to any expense for relief afforded more than two years previous to the filing of the complaint."

Removals.

The Board has also been charged with the duty of removing all persons not belonging in Massachusetts to the state or place where they belong. The following table shows the removals made during the past official year.

Removals.

REMOVED TO —	REMOVED FROM —												Aggregate.
	INSANE.								SANE.				
	Danvers Lunatic Hospital	Worcester Lunatic Hospital	Taunton Lunatic Hospital	Westborough Insane Hospital	Northampton Lunatic Hospital	State Almshouse — Lunatic Ward	State Asylum for Insane Criminals (State Farm)	Total Insane.	State Almshouse.	State Farm.	Local Office.	Total Sane.	
Other States,	27	24	16	11	—	21	11	110	327	85	72	484	544
Other Countries,	43	56	26	17	8	88	13	201	224	29	18	271	472
Overseers of Poor,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	64	—	—	64	64
Town of residence,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,107	147	17	1,271	1,271
Totals,	70	80	42	28	8	59	24	311	1,722	211	107	2,040	2,351

Of the 2,351 persons removed, 311 were insane. Of the latter, 110 were sent to other states, and 201 to other countries.

Of those removed to other states, 22 were sent to Maine, 11 to New Hampshire, 3 to Vermont, 15 to Rhode Island, 12 to Connecticut, 24 to New York, 4 to New Jersey, 4 to Pennsylvania, 6 to Ohio, 1 to Maryland, 1 to Indiana, 2 to Illinois, 1 to South Carolina, 2 to Virginia, 1 to Alabama, and 1 to Arkansas.

Of those removed to other countries, 9 were sent to New Brunswick, 15 to Nova Scotia, 4 to Prince Edward Island, 2 to Newfoundland, 23 to Canada, 18 to England, 5 to Scotland, 59 to Ireland, 2 to France, 1 to Belgium, 6 to Holland, 18 to Sweden, 4 to Finland, 6 to Austria, 7 to Germany, 13 to Russia, 6 to Italy, 1 to Syria, and 2 to Western Islands.

Since the Board's organization in 1879, 3,640 insane inmates of State Institutions have been removed from the Commonwealth, not one of whom is now an inmate of a State hospital of Massachusetts. The whole number of such insane inmates so removed during the past 30 years is 5,550.

Transfers.

The Board is also authorized to transfer pauper inmates from one State charitable institution to another. The following table shows the transfers so made during the past official year.

Transfers.

TRANSFERRED TO —	TRANSFERRED FROM —														
	Danvers Lunatic Hospital.	Worcester Lunatic Hospital.	Taunton Lunatic Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Northampton Lunatic Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Medfield Insane Asylum.	State Almshouse — Lunatic Ward.	State Asylum for Insane Criminals.	Massachusetts Hospital for Dipomanics.	Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded.	State Almshouse.	State Farm.	McLean Hospital.	Totals.
Boston Lunatic Hospital,	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9
Worcester Insane Asylum,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
Westborough Insane Hospital,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
State Almshouse — Lunatic Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8
State Asylum for Insane Criminals — State Farm,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Medfield Insane Asylum,	17	30	2	—	2	—	—	—	30	—	—	—	—	—	81
State Almshouse,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	45	—	45
State Farm,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	15
Hospital Cottages,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	6
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	4	—	—	8
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics,	17	30	18	21	20	12	—	29	—	—	—	3	—	—	150
McLean Hospital,	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Totals,	34	90	28	23	25	14	8	37	30	6	1	28	46	1	371

After the transfers to town and private account, and the removals from the several Institutions named, had been made, there remained in the Institutions, September 30, 1898, 1,620 persons, mostly classed as insane, to be supported at the expense of the Commonwealth, as follows :

Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	132
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	183
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	156
Westborough Insane Hospital,	118
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	58
Medfield Insane Asylum,	204
Worcester Insane Asylum,	107
State Almshouse, Lunatic Ward,	281
State Asylum for Insane Criminals (State Farm),	187
Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates,	62
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics,	58
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded,	56
Hospital Cottages for Children,	18
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	1,620

The State Out-Door Poor.

As a prerequisite to the payment by the Commonwealth of bills for the support of State poor by the cities and towns, the Statutes provide that notices of all cases shall be sent to the State Board ; and 11,892 such notices were received, during the official year, from 236 cities and towns, on account of 35,503 persons ; an increase of 707 notices, or 6 per cent., over last year. Of these notices, 5,796, covering 8,387 individuals, were on account of persons too sick to be removed (including 109 notices, covering 247 individuals, on account of persons sick with dangerous diseases) ; 1,009 notices, covering 4,558 persons, were for wife-settlement cases ; and 5,087 notices, covering 22,558 persons, were for temporary aid and transportation. Of the total number of notices, 2,503, covering 9,671 persons, were in cases on account of which a previous notice had been received during the year.

Cases of Sick State Poor.

The number of notices received during the year, under Public Statutes, Chapter 86, Section 25, as amended, was 5,796. These 5,796 notices were sent by the Overseers of

the Poor of 173 cities and towns, and covered 8,387 persons, of whom 5,870 were represented as being too ill to be removed. This number of notices shows a decrease of 488, or about 8 per cent., as compared with the previous year; and as compared with the official year 1895-96, a decrease of 126, or about 2 per cent. The largest number of notices received in any one month was 774, in January; and the smallest, 354, in August. The number of persons actually supported shows a decrease of 756, as compared with the previous year; and of persons actually sick and requiring medical attendance, a decrease of 531, as compared with the previous year. Of these 5,796 notices, 2,903, or about 50 per cent. of the whole number, were from Boston, viz. : 2,675 from the Boston City Hospital, 46 from the Carney Hospital, 125 from the Institutions Department, 24 from the Boston Lying-in Hospital, and the remainder, 33, on account of persons supported at their homes.

The number of visits made by the officers of the Board, in the investigation of these 5,796 notices, was 9,382. As a result of their investigations, the Overseers of the Poor were directed to discontinue aid in 519 cases, — 449 in consequence of the recovery of the patient sufficiently to permit his removal, and in the other 70 cases for other reasons manifest to the visitor. In 300 cases all aid was refused; in 274 of these cases because, at the time the application for aid was made, the patient could have been removed without danger, and in the other 26 cases for other evident reasons. 4,286 cases were investigated by the Visitors of the Department; and in 317 cases, settlements were found, covering 452 persons. Among those reported as sick, there were 325 deaths.

In accordance with the Board's recommendation, the law concerning payment by the Commonwealth of the expenses of support of sick State paupers in the several cities and towns was amended by the last Legislature so as to provide that Overseers of the Poor shall certify in each case that, having made full investigation, they have failed to find any kindred able to pay the amount charged. Section 26 of chapter 86 of the Public Statutes now reads as follows : —

“ Section 26. The reasonable expense incurred by a city

or town under the provisions of the preceding section, within five days next before notice has been given as therein required, and also after the giving of such notice and until said sick person is able to be removed to the almshouse shall be reimbursed by the Commonwealth. The bills for such support shall not be allowed unless they are endorsed with the distinct declaration that, after full investigation, no kindred able to pay the amount charged have been found, and that the amount has actually been paid from the city or town treasury, nor unless they are approved by the state board or by some person designated by it; and not more than five dollars a week shall be allowed for the support of a person in a city or town hospital."

The Board recently notified the several municipalities that hereafter it would insist on having notices in Sick Poor cases conform to the Statute, in that they should contain the certification in each case that the person named in the notice "at the time of his application for aid" could not have been sent to the State Almshouse without endangering his health.

Cases of Dangerous Diseases.

Of the 5,796 notices previously stated as received in regard to the sick State poor, 109 were on account of "diseases dangerous to the public health," covering 247 persons and 130 patients. These 109 notices were from 24 cities and towns; 82 being for cases of diphtheria, 17 for scarlet fever, 7 for membranous croup, 1 for small-pox, 1 for measles, 1 for whooping-cough. 37 settlements were found, covering 39 persons.

The Board has recently decided, and has so notified the several cities and towns, that the provisions of Public Statutes, Chapter 86, Sections 25 and 26, require that notices shall be given by the local authorities to the State Board of Charity, as well as to the State Board of Health, before any claim can be made for the support of an unsettled person suffering from a contagious disease.

The following table is an abstract of the sick State poor notices received during the year, stated by months and counties.

Notices by Months and Counties. Sick State Poor.

COUNTIES.	1897.			1898.							TOTAL.
	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	
	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	
Barnstable,	4	9	1	1	1	1	2	—	1	1	13
Berkshire,	8	9	4	14	6	9	7	4	7	5	82
Bristol,	35	30	17	35	21	32	28	23	24	25	321
Essex,	32	20	85	56	32	39	32	39	19	22	368
Franklin,	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	2	2	18
Hampden,	26	22	15	66	23	11	27	19	18	23	306
Hampshire,	2	2	7	8	6	4	2	1	2	2	42
Middlesex,	50	46	42	67	43	47	42	43	51	53	550
Nantucket,	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Norfolk,	4	7	5	8	8	10	5	4	6	4	74
Plymouth,	1	2	6	2	4	3	2	3	3	7	45
Suffolk,	260	225	250	398	206	287	253	243	265	189	2,990
Worcester,	77	97	94	119	101	86	60	85	75	67	986
Total notices,	500	461	477	774	452	530	462	465	473	400	5,796
Total persons,	707	678	734	1,140	665	827	656	631	679	547	8,387
Total patients,	510	470	475	731	462	535	464	476	480	403	5,370

Cases of Wife-Settlement.

The number of notices received under Public Statutes, Chapter 86, Section 31, as amended, in cases of poor and indigent persons where the wife had a legal settlement in some city or town of the Commonwealth, but the husband was a State pauper, was 1,009, from 94 cities and towns, covering 4,558 persons, of whom 334 were sick. These figures show an increase in the number of notices, as compared with the preceding year, of 135, or about 16 per cent. ; and, as compared with the year 1895-96, an increase of 309, or about 44 per cent. Of these 1,009 notices, 459 were from the City of Boston. 314 cases were investigated by the agents of the Board, and four settlements were found, and 3,549 persons were acknowledged as settled ; so that the whole number aided by the State was 1,005, of whom 229 were sick. The number of visits made in these cases was 1,081. As a result of these visits, the local authorities were advised to render no aid in 8 cases, and to discontinue aid in 24 cases.

The following table is an abstract of the wife-settlement notices received during the year, stated by months and counties.

Cases of Temporary Aid.

The total number of notices received under Public Statutes, Chapter 84, Section 18, and amendments thereto, for "temporary aid to poor persons . . . having no lawful settlements within the State," was 5,087, covering 22,558 persons, from 185 cities and towns. The largest number of notices received in any one month was in February, — 904; the smallest number was in September, — 216. The whole number shows an increase, as compared with the preceding year, of 1,050, or about 26 per cent.; and as compared with the year 1895–96, an increase of 1,761, or about 53 per cent. 690 of these notices, or about $11\frac{6}{10}$ per cent., were received from the City of Boston. During the strike at New Bedford there were received from that city 776 applications. The number of visits made under all the notices was 5,397. 2,196 cases were investigated by the officers of the Board, and 239 settlements were found, covering 906 persons. As a result of visitation, aid was discontinued in 496 cases; aid was refused in 75 cases; and in 71 cases, involving 227 persons, directions were given that no aid be rendered, except at the State Almshouse.

During the year bills for transportation of 676 persons were allowed. Of these 676 persons, 223 were sent to European countries, 178 to Canada and other British Provinces, and 275 to other States. 491 were sent directly by the Board from Boston, and their destinations were as follows: To foreign countries: Austria, 5; Azores, 36; England, 86; Finland, 6; Germany, 8; Ireland, 30; Italy, 23; Norway, 4; Scotland, 9; Sweden, 16; British Provinces, 104. To other States: District of Columbia, 4; Illinois, 3; Maine, 19; Maryland, 2; Michigan, 3; Missouri, 9; New York, 64; North Carolina, 16; Ohio, 7; Pennsylvania, 27; Rhode Island, 5; Texas, 1; Virginia, 4.

In addition to the above, 131 shipwrecked seamen were sent from Tisbury and Nantucket to New Bedford, Woods Hole, and Boston.

In its last Annual Report the Board recommended an amendment of the "temporary aid" law, providing that aid may be given during more than one period of four weeks

in summer and eight weeks in winter, at the discretion of the Board. A law was passed, however (Acts of 1898, Chapter 425, Section 5), making a far more radical change, and providing that Section 18 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 90 of Acts of 1891, be further amended so as to read as follows:—

“Section 18. A city or town may furnish aid to poor persons found therein, having no lawful settlement within the state, if the overseers of the poor deem it for the public interest; but, except in case of sickness, not for a greater amount than two dollars a week for each family during the months of May to September inclusive, or three dollars a week for the months of October to April inclusive, and the overseers shall in every such case give immediate notice by mail to the state board of lunacy and charity, which board shall examine the case, and should they direct discontinuance shall remove such persons to the state almshouse or to any state or place where they belong, when the necessities of such persons or the public interest require such removal, and the superintendent of said almshouse shall receive the persons so removed thereto the same as though sent in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-one of chapter eighty-six of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter eighty-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and a detailed statement of expenses so incurred shall be rendered, and after approval by the state board of lunacy and charity such expenses shall be paid from the state treasury.”

The following table is an abstract of the temporary aid notices received during the year, stated by months and counties.

Notices by Months and Counties. Temporary Aid.

COUNTIES.	1897.			1898.								TOTALS.		
	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.		September.	
Barnstable,	—	1	—	1	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	9
Berkshire,	8	5	15	21	13	9	9	8	7	13	4	8	123	
Bristol, .	27	51	79	244	469	173	63	26	26	25	31	27	1,231	
Dukes, .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
Essex, .	43	54	64	90	45	56	43	50	24	41	19	43	572	
Franklin,	2	3	5	2	5	4	3	2	3	4	1	—	34	
Hampden,	20	30	35	44	32	19	21	15	17	27	21	20	304	
Hampshire,	4	6	4	7	4	8	1	4	4	4	3	4	53	
Middlesex,	73	117	181	190	157	99	69	84	83	81	59	43	1,236	
Norfolk,	5	5	4	15	7	13	7	8	5	8	5	3	85	
Plymouth,	9	9	6	11	7	5	4	5	7	5	2	2	64	
Suffolk, .	36	74	113	136	95	67	43	49	45	73	46	35	812	
Worcester,	37	73	66	82	66	41	29	34	35	36	34	30	563	
Total notices, .	256	428	573	846	904	495	282	286	256	317	228	216	5,087	
Total persons,	1,119	1,768	2,614	3,926	4,140	2,251	1,222	1,275	1,099	1,397	917	830	22,558	

Burial of State Paupers.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Board in its last Report, that the Commonwealth should not be called upon to pay more for the funeral expense of an unsettled pauper in any city or town than such city or town is obliged to pay for the funeral expense of its own settled paupers, the last Legislature passed a law amending the "burial law" as follows:—

"Section seventeen of chapter eighty-four of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter three hundred and ten of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and by chapter seventy-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety, is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:—Section 17. The overseers of the poor of each place shall also relieve, support and employ all poor persons residing or found therein, having no lawful settlements within this state, until their removal to the state almshouse, and in case of their decease shall decently bury them; they shall also decently bury all such persons who have died without means of support, but without applying for public relief while living, and all unknown persons found dead; the expense whereof may be recovered of their kindred, if they have any chargeable by law for their support, in the manner hereinbefore provided; and if in case of their burial the expense thereof is not paid by such kindred, there shall be paid from the treasury of the Commonwealth an amount not exceeding fifteen dollars for the funeral expenses of each pauper over twelve years of age, and an amount not exceeding ten dollars for the funeral expenses of each pauper under that age."

Expenses of Support of Out-Door Poor.

The bills examined by the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor, and, after July 1, by the Superintendent of State Adult Poor, on account of cases of sick State poor, wife-settlement, dangerous diseases, temporary aid, and burials, were in number, amount, and allowance, as follows:—

	Bills.	Claim.	Allowance.	Deduction.
Sick State Poor:				
Boston City Hospital, . . .	3,388	\$81,842 00	\$44 274 76	\$37,567 24
Other cases,	2,431	53,862 79	41,890 70	11,962 09
Total,	5,819	\$135,694 79	\$86,165 46	\$49,529 33
Wife settlement,	867	6,402 73	6,402 73	-
Dangerous diseases,	87	2,511 75	1,909 86	601 89
Temporary aid,	3,584	32,299 31	29,694 43	2,604 88
Burial,	845	3,649 45	7,839 75	809 70
Total,	11,202	\$185,558 03	\$132,012 23	\$53,545 80

THE JUVENILE WARDS OF THE STATE.

The juvenile wards of the State under the supervision of the Board may be divided into four classes, namely:—juvenile offenders, neglected children, dependent children, and pauper infants.

Juvenile offenders are children between the ages of seven and seventeen years, convicted of crime or misdemeanor, and committed by the courts to the custody of the State Board, the Lyman School for Boys (if under fifteen years of age), or the State Industrial School for Girls.

Neglected children are children between three and sixteen years of age, who, by reason of the wilful neglect of their parents, are committed by the courts to the custody of the Board.

Dependent children are children between three and sixteen years of age without local settlement, who, by reason of orphanage, or the poverty of their parents, are dependent upon the State for their support. The greater part of them come into the care of the Board directly from the State Almshouse.

Pauper infants are indigent and neglected children under three years of age, who come under the care of the Board through commitment by Overseers of the Poor or by the courts, directly from the State Almshouse, and also under the several laws providing, (1) that legitimate children under three years of age may be placed in the custody of the Board by parents and guardians unable to support them ;

(2) that illegitimate children under two years of age may be given up by their mothers for adoption; (3) that illegitimate children under one year of age may be removed from their boarding places when their health or life is in danger through the neglect or incompetency of those having them in charge.

Before the trials of juvenile offenders and neglected children, notice must be given by the courts to the State Board, and also to the parents and guardians of the children; and it is the duty of the agents of the Board, appointed to attend the trials, to possess themselves of all important facts relating to each case, in order that they may be able to protect the interests of the children, and consult with the magistrates as to the best disposition of the cases.

When juvenile offenders are committed to the custody of the Board, they are generally placed at once in some selected family in Massachusetts, or elsewhere in New England. Sometimes, when the offence is slight, and the home is exceptionally good, they are placed with their parents on probation. Some of them are temporarily cared for in a special family, under the immediate direction of the Board. The Board is authorized, in cases where family trial proves unsuccessful, to transfer children, under the original mittimus, to the Lyman School, or the State Industrial school.

Dependent and neglected children coming under the care of the Board, if incapable of self-support, are placed at once in families at board, or if able to support themselves, in such families without payment for board; and prior to such placing they may be temporarily provided for in two special families in the immediate vicinity of Boston.

All of these children are constantly visited and closely watched by the visitors of the Division of State Minor Wards, and are changed from place to place whenever it may seem advisable. Physical examinations of all infants received are made by the medical visitors of the Board. Most of them are first sent to the temporary nursery, where they are bathed and clothed, and are given such medical and surgical treatment as may be required.

The law relating to the commitment of neglected children was amended by the last Legislature so as to read as follows:

“Whenever it shall be made to appear to any court or magistrate after due complaint setting forth the facts relied upon, and a hearing thereon, that within the jurisdiction of such court or magistrate any child under sixteen years of age, by reason of orphanage, or of the neglect, crime, drunkenness or other vice of his parents, is growing up without education or salutary control, and in circumstances exposing him to lead an idle and dissolute life, or is dependent upon public charity, such court or magistrate shall, after notice to the state board of lunacy and charity, commit such child, if he has no known settlement in this Commonwealth, to the custody of said board, and if he has a known settlement then to the overseers of the poor of the city or town in which he has such settlement, except in the city of Boston, and if he has a settlement in said city, then to the directors of public institutions of said city, until he arrives at the age of twenty-one years, or for any less time; and the said board, overseers and directors are authorized to make all needful arrangements for the care and maintenance of children so committed, in some state, municipal or town institution, or in some respectable family, and to discharge such children from their custody whenever the object of their commitment has been accomplished: provided, however, that when it shall be made to appear that the place of legal settlement of any of such children has not within its control any institution in which they may be lawfully maintained, such court or magistrate may commit such children to the custody of the state board of lunacy and charity, and the authority vested in overseers of the poor under this section relative to children who have a known settlement may be exercised by said state board, in the same manner and to the same extent as it might have been exercised by said overseers had such children been committed to them.”

In the case of juvenile offenders committed by the Courts to the custody of the Board, the question of settlement is not taken into consideration, the law providing that all such children, whether settled or non-settled, shall not only come under the care and control of the State, but that their expenses shall be paid from the State Treasury; and the same is true, with few exceptions, in the case of neglected chil-

dren. There seems to be no good reason why the class of wards known as dependent children, or those who, by reason of orphanage or the poverty of their parents, become a public charge, should not be in like manner cared for and controlled by the State authorities, irrespective of the question of their settlement. As a matter of fact it not infrequently happens that Overseers of the Poor, in order to relieve themselves of the difficulty of properly providing for such children, as well as for the purpose of saving the expense of their support, procure their commitment by the Courts as neglected children. The added expense to the State in boarding these children which the suggested change in the law would involve would of course be considerable, but the law already requires State officials to visit these children, so that the increased cost of visitation would amount to very little. There can be no question that the children would be on the whole better cared for and treated, and that they would be given a better opportunity to grow up into useful citizens, under the tried and approved uniform system followed by the State, than they now have, left as they are to the changing ideas and methods of Overseers of the Poor of the different localities where they happen to be born or placed, — officials who with the best of intentions are rarely especially equipped for the work, and for the most part assume it unwillingly as a necessary burden. Doubtless in the end such a change would be a saving to the State in the rescue of a considerable number of its citizens from lives of poverty and crime.

The Board therefore renews its recommendation of last year, that all indigent and neglected children below the age of sixteen years, separately supported at the public expense, or committed by magistrates, shall hereafter be maintained at the expense of the Commonwealth, and in the care and control of the State Board of Charity, during their minority, or for such time as such support, care and control may be deemed necessary.

At the close of the last official year, September 30, 1898, there were 3,243 children subject to the supervision of the Board; 519 of them being in institutions, 1,609 self-supporting, and 1,115 at board in families. The corresponding

figures for the previous year were 3,004, 437, 1,645 and 922. Of the 519 in institutions, 56 were in the State Almshouse,—33 of them being infants in the care of their mothers, 3 mothers in charge of their infants, 4 awaiting magistrates' summons, 1 insane, 1 under observation, and 14 receiving hospital treatment. Of the other 3,187 children, 570 were classed as dependent children, 834 as neglected children, 1,549 as juvenile offenders, and 234 as infants. The dependent and neglected children and the infants were all in the custody of the Board. Of the 1,549 juvenile offenders, 368 were in the custody of the Board, 296 in the Lyman School for Boys, 167 in the State Industrial School for Girls, 454 in the custody of the Trustees of the Lyman School, outside the School, and 264 in the custody of the Trustees of the State Industrial School, outside the School.

The same statement may be made in tabular form as follows:—

Classification of Juvenile Wards of the State, September 30, 1898.

	Dependent	Neglected	Juvenile Offenders.	Infants.	Total.
Custody of State Board, . . .	570	834	368	234	2,006
Lyman School,	—	—	296	—	296
State Industrial School, . . .	—	—	167	—	167
Custody of Lyman School, . .	—	—	454	—	454
Custody of State Industrial School, .	—	—	264	—	264
	570	834	1,549	234	3,187

Of the children over three years of age, October 1, 1897, 724 were regularly at board. To this number there were added, during the year, 338, making a total of 1,062 children regularly at board in the course of the year. Of these 1,062, free homes were found with their relatives for 85; there were released to parents or relatives, 57; 5 were adopted; 2 eloped; 1 died; and 15 were placed in various State institutions; leaving 897 children at board September 30,

1898. Of these 897, 102 were juvenile offenders temporarily at board. The remaining 795, dependent and neglected children, were almost all under twelve years of age, and about three-fourths of them under ten. In addition to the 5 boarded children adopted, 9 other neglected or dependent children, not at board, were also adopted; making a total of 14 children adopted during the year, and thus placed beyond all reasonable chance of again becoming a public charge.

The number of visits paid to the children over three years of age during the year by the paid visitors of the Board was 6,274, and the number paid by the Auxiliary Visitors was 592.

By reference to the table on page 53, it will be seen that a large proportion of the children are placed and boarded in the western counties of the State. Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire counties combined had 809 children, while all the rest had 1,191; Maine had 51, New Hampshire 44, Vermont 135, Rhode Island 11, Connecticut 115, and other States 30.

It may be further stated that 101 of the towns in Massachusetts had no children. A considerable number of the remainder had one or two children only. Boston had 154, Belchertown 87, Cambridge 86, Ludlow 59, Springfield 54, Amherst 43, Worthington 44, Enfield 30, Worcester 30, Holliston 25, Lynn 30, Southwick 32, and Wilbraham 25, and the others from 3 to 25 each. The towns having children were as follows:—Abington, Acton, Acushnet, Adams, Agawam, Amesbury, Amherst, Andover, Arlington, Ashburnham, Ashby, Ashfield, Athol, Attleborough, Ayer, Barnstable, Barre, Belchertown, Belmont, Berkley, Berlin, Bernardston, Beverly, Blackstone, Blandford, Boston, Bourne, Boxford, Boylston, Bradford, Braintree, Bridgewater, Brimfield, Brockton, Brookfield, Brookline, Buckland, Cambridge, Canton, Carlisle, Carver, Charlemont, Charlton, Chatham, Chelmsford, Chelsea, Chester, Chesterfield, Chicopee, Clinton, Cohasset, Colrain, Concord, Conway, Cottage City, Cummington, Dalton, Danvers, Dedham, Deerfield, Dennis, Dover, Duxbury, Eastham, Easthampton, Easton, Egremont, Enfield, Everett, Fairhaven, Fall River,

Falmouth, Fitchburg, Foxborough, Framingham, Franklin, Gardner, Georgetown, Gill, Gloucester, Goshen, Granby, Granville, Great Barrington, Greenfield, Greenwich, Groton, Hadley, Hamilton, Hampden, Hanover, Hardwick, Harvard, Harwich, Hatfield, Haverhill, Hawley, Heath, Hingham, Hinsdale, Holbrook, Holden, Holliston, Holyoke, Hubbardston, Hudson, Huntington, Hyde Park, Ipswich, Jefferson, Lakeville, Lancaster, Lawrence, Lee, Lenox, Leominster, Leverett, Lexington, Leyden, Littleton, Longmeadow, Lowell, Ludlow, Lunenburg, Lynn, Lynnfield, Malden, Mansfield, Marion, Marlborough, Marshfield, Mashpee, Medfield, Medford, Melrose, Methuen, Middleborough, Middlefield, Milford, Milton, Monson, Montague, Monterey, Montgomery, Nantucket, Natick, New Bedford, New Braintree, New Marlborough, New Salem, Newbury, Newburyport, Newton, North Brookfield, Northampton, Northborough, Northbridge, Northfield, Norton, Norwell, Oakham, Orange, Oxford, Palmer, Peabody, Pelham, Petersham, Pittsfield, Plainfield, Plymouth, Prescott, Quincy, Randolph, Raynham, Reading, Revere, Richmond, Rowe, Rowley, Royalston, Russell, Rutland, Salem, Sandisfield, Sandwich, Saugus, Savoy, Scituate, Sharon, Sheffield, Shelburne, Sherborn, Shirley, Shrewsbury, Somerville, South Hadley, Southampton, Southbridge, Southwick, Spencer, Springfield, Sterling, Stockbridge, Stoneham, Stoughton, Stow, Sturbridge, Sudbury, Sunderland, Sutton, Swampscott, Taunton, Templeton, Tewksbury, Topsfield, Townsend, Upton, Wakefield, Wales, Walpole, Waltham, Ware, Wareham, Warren, Washington, Watertown, Webster, Wellesley, Wellfleet, Wenham, West Brookfield, Westborough, Westfield, Westford, Westhampton, Westminster, Weston, Westport, Weymouth, Whately, Whitman, Wilbraham, Williamsburg, Williamstown, Winchendon, Winchester, Windsor, Winthrop, Woburn, Worcester, Worthington, Wrentham, Yarmouth.

The towns in Maine having children were as follows: Bath, Bethel, Bolster's Mills, Brunswick, Cedar Grove, Dexter, Dresden, Farmington, Freeport, Kennebunk, Kent's Hill, Lowell Centre, Munroe, Newry, North Bridgton, North Munroe, North Waterford, Norway, Norway Lake, Ogunquit, Otisfield, Richmond, South Dresden, South Jeffer-

son, South Harpswell, Sweden, Wells Beach, West Dresden, West Newfield, Winthrop, Woolwich.

The towns in New Hampshire having children were:— Abstead, Ashland, Boscawen, Dalton, Derry Depot, Durham, Guilford, Haverhill, Henneker, Hillsborough Bridge, Hinsdale, Lancaster, Lebanon, Manchester, Massabesic, Meredith, Meredith Centre, Nashua, New Hampton, New Market, North Hampton, Plainfield, Portsmouth, Raymond, Rye, Salem Depot, Silver Lake, State Line, Temple, Tilton, Webster, West Chesterfield, Westmoreland, West Rindge, Winchester, Winona.

The towns in Vermont having children were:— Andover, Bakersfield, Bellows Falls, Bethel, Brandon, Brattleborough, Bridgewater, Chester, Colchester, Davis Bridge, Dummerston, East Berkshire, East Dover, Grafton, Green River, Guilford, Guilford Centre, Halifax, Hartford, Huntington, Jacksonville, Jamaica, Landgrove, Marlborough, Middlesex, Montgomery, Moretown, Newfane, North Duxbury, North Enosburg, North Hartland, North Londonderry, North Pownal, Plymouth Corners, Putney, Saxton's River, Simonds-ville, South Newfane, South Windham, Sudbury, Townshend, Waitsfield, Waterbury, West Brattleborough, West Dummerston, Westminster, Weston, West Wardsborough, Williamsville, Wilmington, Winkall Hollow.

The towns in Rhode Island having children were:— Block Island, Bristol, Davisville, East Greenwich, Little Compton, Lonsdale, Newport, Pawtucket, Providence.

The towns in Connecticut having children were:— Baltic, Barkhamsted, Bloomfield, Bridgeport, Canton, Chestnut Hill, Colchester, Colebrook, Colebrook River, East Hartland, Ellington, Elliott, Enfield, Gildersleeve, Glastonbury, Granby, Groton, Hampsted, Hanover, Hartford, Hartland, Jewett City, Lebanon, Ledyard, Leonard's Bridge, Liberty Hill, Middleton, Montville, Mystic, Naubuc, New Britain, Norfolk, North Canton, North Wilton, Norwich, Norwichtown, Old Mystic, Portland, Preston, Ridgefield, Riverton, Rockfall, Rocky Hill, Salem, Schewville, Scitico, Somers, Somersville, South Glastonbury, Stafford, Stafford Springs, Staffordville, Suffield, Tariffville, Thompson, Thompsonville, Torrington, Waterbury, West Granby, West Hart-

ford, West Hartland, West Suffield, West Willington, West Winsted, Willimantic, Winchester, Windsor Locks, Winsted.

The whole number of infants, or children under three years of age, in charge of the Board at the beginning of the official year, Oct. 1, 1897, was 215; the number received during the year was 217; making the whole number supported during the year 432. There remained at the close of the official year, Sept. 30, 1898, 234. Of the 217 infants received, 161 were committed to the custody of the Board by Overseers of the Poor; 42 were committed by the Courts; 11 were taken under the law providing for the surrender of infants to the Board by their parents or guardians; and 3 were removed from their boarding-places under the provisions of the law which gives the Board authority to remove summarily any illegitimate infant under one year of age, when it is found that the health and life of the infant is in danger, through the neglect or incompetence of the woman having such infant in charge. Of the 432 infants supported, 36 were legally adopted; 49 were transferred, having reached the age of three years; 58 were discharged to parents, relatives, or guardians; 5 were discharged to place of settlement; and 50 died. Of the remaining 234, 16 were on trial for adoption without expense to the State. During the year 236 infants were received at the temporary nursery, 9 of whom died.

The infants remaining at board at the end of the official year were in the following cities and towns:—Acushnet, Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Easton, Everett, Framingham, Hingham, Hyde Park, Lawrence, Lynn, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Newton, Reading, Revere, Saugus, Somerville, Stoneham, Stoughton, Wakefield, Waltham, Weymouth, Woburn. Those on trial for adoption were in the following cities and towns:—Avon, Cambridge, Framingham, Haverhill, Huntington, Lynn, Randolph, Somerville, Stoughton and Worcester, Mass.; Kittery, Me.; Portsmouth and Winchester, N. H.; Bethel, Vt.; Norwich, Conn.

The whole time of both the medical officers of the Division of State Minor Wards is now devoted to the special care of children under three years of age; this care includes the in-

spection of homes for infants, prospective homes for legal adoption, and prospective boarding-places for the infants in the custody of the Board. These officers have made 2,857 visits during the year; 2,496 of these were medical, or visits of supervision, to infants in the custody of the Board. There is no fixed time for visiting these babies, and women taking them to board understand that they are subject to visitation at any time. As a rule, every child is seen at least once a month, and as often as needed in case of illness. Experience has shown that frequent visitation is indispensable to the welfare of very young children, even in the best homes.

There were received during the year 341 new applications for infants to board. Many of these applications were from women whose personal appearance was such as to make further investigation unnecessary, they being under the influence of liquor, or suffering from phthisis or other chronic diseases. More than half of those visited were found undesirable either from the bad sanitary condition of their premises, or from personal unfitness, such as loss of sight or hearing, or some serious physical infirmity.

With few exceptions the babies are placed at board in suburban towns and villages, as in most of these places there is aqueduct water, and a system of drainage, the heating facilities of the houses are good, and fresh milk can be obtained in the neighborhood.

The number of legal adoptions completed during the year was smaller than last year, owing to the fact that fewer infants were eligible for adoption.

The mortality rate of infants for the official year 1896-97 was 9.51 per cent.,—the lowest since the present system of boarding infants in families was adopted. During the last year it was increased to 11.36 per cent.,—the increase being due mainly to the unusual and protracted heat and humidity during the summer.

In investigating and inspecting the homes of applicants for licenses to board infants, the medical officers have visited 43 cities and towns, and have inspected and reported on 254 places. This investigation of homes where licenses are desired is not merely a sanitary inspection, but includes as much information as can be obtained concerning the general

appearance of the home, the manner of living, the number of children in the family, as well as the personal qualifications of the applicant for the proper management of a child. A written report of this investigation is submitted to the Superintendent, who recommends that a license be granted or refused.

It is provided by chapter 309 of Acts of 1889, that any person abandoning an infant, under two years of age, if proved guilty, shall be punished by imprisonment, if a man, in the House of Correction, and, if a woman, in the Reformatory Prison for Women, for a term not exceeding two years. It is also provided by section 15 of chapter 318 of the Acts of 1892, that the mother of an illegitimate infant under two years of age may be relieved of the care and support of the child, if in the judgment of the State Board, it is for the public interest to do so, providing she is a resident of this Commonwealth, has previously borne a good character, and makes personal application to the State Board for such help.

It would be well if the public were better informed of these laws, so that the mother of an illegitimate child may find out where to apply for relief, instead of, through ignorance, or evil intention, or bad advice, abandoning her baby on a doorstep or elsewhere. It would be well, also, if the provisions of these laws could be more rigidly enforced by the Courts, not only for the sake of the offenders themselves, and the better protection of their unfortunate offspring, but also on account of the deterrent effect upon others.

The Board recommends that the age limit of infants subject to the provisions of Chapter 309 of the Acts of 1889, as amended by Chapter 194 of the Acts of 1891, be raised from one year to three years, so that the law will read as follows :

“ Every person who receives for board or for the purpose of procuring adoption an infant under the age of three years shall use due diligence to ascertain whether or not such infant is illegitimate; and if he knows or has reason to believe it to be illegitimate, shall forthwith notify the state board of charity of the fact of such reception; and said board and its officers or agents may enter and inspect any building where they may have reason to believe that any

such illegitimate infant is boarded, and remove such infant when in their judgment such removal is necessary, by reason of neglect, abuse, or other cause, in order to preserve the infant's life; and such infant so removed shall be in the custody of said board of charity, which shall make provisions therefor according to law."

It is further recommended that a codification be made of all the laws relating to the protection of infants and the licensing and regulating of infant boarding-houses, for the purpose of a better understanding of these laws, and their more convenient use.

Abstracts of Histories.

As illustrative of the work of the Division of State Minor Wards, a few abstracts of histories of typical cases are here presented.

F. 1336. Born about August 21, 1896, and abandoned in the hall-way of an empty house when about 10 days old, and committed to the Board. The following is an extract from a local paper giving an account of the finding of the child:—"The Police Matron gave, as her opinion, that the child was about two weeks old and that she had been cruelly neglected by her mother; the little limbs were nothing but skin and bones, and the hand, when opened, could have been hidden by a silver quarter. The skin was clean, but the general indications were that the babe was half starved." The child was received August 31, and was placed at board with a family in Malden. She developed into a healthy but rather diffident child, not especially attractive in appearance, but of an affectionate disposition. When about one and one-half years old, the child was seen by a number of people who had applied for a little girl to adopt, but was passed by for children with curly hair and a more doll-like appearance. Finally, a sea captain from a town on the coast of Maine came to the office and applied for a little girl to adopt; he was sent to see this child, she took to him at once, and he was delighted with her. He sent for his wife, and as she was pleased with the child they took her home on trial for adoption. In October last the legal adoption was completed, and she is contented and happy in her new home.

F. 1560. This child, a girl, was born in November, 1896, and committed to the custody of the Board by the Overseers of the Poor of Boston. In September, 1898, she was brought to the State House by her mother. On the day of commitment both were scantily clothed, ragged, and filthy to a degree. The mother had been drinking, and admitted that she had given her child a little brandy. The child was little more than a skeleton, and did not weigh as much as most babies at seven months; her eyelids were swollen and her eyes were heavy and red; her arms and legs were shrunken and useless, and she was suffering from chronic diarrhœa. She was taken to the Nursery for a bath and clean clothing, and then sent to board (the same day) in a comfortable, licensed home in Roxbury, where she could receive constant medical attendance, good food and nursing. In less than a month she had improved so rapidly and changed so much in appearance that it is doubtful if her own mother would have recognized her. This child is legitimate. Both parents are intemperate.

F. 1312. Maggie R——, born in Rhode Island March 15, 1896, committed to the State Board of Lunacy and Charity by the Overseers of the Poor of Southbridge July 14, 1896. The child's mother, at that time, was an inmate of an insane asylum, and the father claimed that he was unable to support his child. Maggie was placed at board with a family in Everett. August 15, 1896, the mother was sent to her home in England. The father told the transportation officer that his child Maggie was dead. August 23, 1897, a letter was received from a rector of Shropshire, England, stating that a woman was living in his parish who had been sent home from Massachusetts and who had a child in the care of that State, and asking that the child be sent to her. The people with whom the child was boarding had become very much attached to her, and would gladly have adopted her had no one claimed her. August 28, 1897, Maggie was sent to England in the care of a responsible woman who was also being sent by the State Board. September 17, 1897, a letter was received from the rector informing us that the child had arrived safely and was taken by her parents. Since then the mother has written several times, saying that Mag-

gie was well, and that both she and her husband were delighted to have her with them again.

F. 1734. This child, a girl, was born in August, 1898, and when one month old was taken into the custody of the State Board under the provisions of Section 15, Chap. 318, Acts of 1892. The mother, being unable to support her on account of her own ill health, voluntarily surrendered her for adoption. She was small and poorly nourished, but fairly attractive. She was placed at board in a licensed home in the country, and in less than two weeks she was placed on trial for adoption without expense to the State.

F. 1704. This child, a boy, was a foundling of unknown parentage, only a few days old when left on a doorstep, where he was found by a milkman about 4 o'clock one morning in July, 1898. The child was committed to the custody of the State Board by a Board of Overseers of the Poor: He was much emaciated, and ill with gastro-enteritis, when received. He was sent at once to the Nursery, where he remained a few days before he was placed in a licensed home. He failed steadily and died of marasmus seventeen days after being received by the Board.

F. 1558. This child, a girl, was found upon a doorstep about 7 o'clock one morning in October, 1897. She was about three weeks old, small, feeble, and suffering from purulent ophthalmia. She was committed to the custody of the Board by a Board of Overseers of the Poor and placed at once in a licensed boarding-place, where she slowly improved. When six months old she was well and plump. In August, 1898, she was placed on trial for adoption without expense to the State. In September, 1898, the following report was received: "Baby is well, happy, and a lovely child. We could not part with her."

F. 1593. This child, a girl, was born in the New England Hospital in January, 1897, and remained there with her mother, who was a free patient, about three months. The mother then placed the baby to board in Roxbury, and abandoned her. The woman who took the child found out where the mother lodged, and took the baby to her room, and left her with her, in August, 1897. The mother placed the child at board the same day in Medford, paying \$4.00 to the woman

who took her. She again deserted her. The baby was very ill with cholera infantum at this time. In October, 1897, she was taken ill with whooping-cough and mumps, and the Overseers of the Poor of Medford notified the State on a sick State poor notice; the child was supported on this notice till January, 1898, when she was committed to the State Board as a deserted infant. After the child was committed, she was brought to the State House by the woman who had had the care of her many months. This woman expressed a great attachment to the child and a desire to adopt her. She was permitted to take her home on trial for adoption, without expense to the State. An officer was directed to find the mother, with a view to making some arrangements for the support of her child, or to getting her signature to the petition for the authority to adopt her. The mother was found leading an immoral life, under an assumed name, and it was shown that she had been addicted to the use of alcohol and opium for years. She was living at this time with a man who had been divorced, and was about to establish a cheap theatre in a town a few miles from Boston. When requested to come to the office to make some arrangements for her child, she refused to do so. Then a complaint was made for abandoning her child; a warrant was issued, and in February, 1898, she was arrested, and thereupon gave her consent to the adoption of her child. On her arraignment the next day, she pleaded not guilty, and the case was continued a few days. At the trial she was found guilty and sentenced to the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn, for one year. From this sentence she appealed to the Superior Court. When the case was called there, the Judge directed the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty, and the case was placed on file and the following record made: "Upon the motion of the District Attorney, with the approval of the Court, this case will be placed on file, if within ten days the defendant and the man with whom she was living shall be lawfully married to each other, and a certificate thereof filed in Court; otherwise to stand for sentence." The mother was married within the time stated to this man, under another name. The child had improved in health and was legally adopted, with the consent of her mother, in June, 1898.

F. and A. K——, 7 and 5 years, dependent children. Parents separated, mother a drunkard. Received from the State Almshouse August, 1893. Children placed at board in the country, did well at school, and were well behaved. The mother applied for the children and was refused. Three years later, as she had apparently reformed, it was decided to discharge her children to her, but she was again arrested for drunkenness, and the children were retained. September, 1898, the mother again applied for the children and they were placed with her, she having started house-keeping again with her husband, having made a neat and attractive home for the children, and having shown herself sober and industrious for a period of two years. October, 1898, the mother is still devoted to her children, who are well and happy.

C. and M. W——, colored, 7 and 12 years, found in a most degraded house, exposed to vice and disease. Committed to the custody of the Board, as neglected children. Mother dead, father deserted children. For two years C. did well at school and in the home in which she was placed at board, then began to be untrustworthy, and untidy in her habits. She promised to do better, but became untruthful, and, a year later, was expelled from school for her saucy and rebellious behavior. The school committee agreed to give her another trial, but she was often tardy, was untruthful, and a constant care, though always promising to do better. "May, 1898, C. has continued to give trouble by stealing and has lately begun to stay out nights. Two days ago was out all night and found sleeping in the ash barrel the next morning." She has been tried in several homes, and now at eleven years of age is showing the result of her training by behaving well and improving in many ways.

M. J. S., A. C. S., and L. S., neglected children, committed to the custody of the Board, January, 1897. Ages when committed,—9, 6, and 5 years respectively. The woman with whom they were found claimed to have adopted them, but their condition showed that they had received almost no care or kindness, and were almost starved. They were placed at board, have attended school regularly and are well behaved, attractive children. The youngest, a

boy, has been placed on trial for adoption, without expense to the State. A fourth child, an infant, has recently been removed from the same woman in order to try and save its life, and a complaint has been made against the woman for aiding and abetting the abandonment of the baby.

S. L. in August, 1890, when ten years old, was committed to the custody of the Board for larceny. He had stolen from a dwelling house a door mat, a pair of rubbers, and some brass. He had been guilty of several petty offences before, but the police on account of his age allowed him to go, hoping he would do better. His parents are good, respectable people of some means. He was placed in a good home in New Hampshire, and for three years did well, and gave satisfaction. Then he showed an inclination to steal, but improved again. Three years later he was again found to be stealing. "He will take the first thing that comes in his way whether he has a use for it or not." Two years later he ran away to his own home, and on finding that he had been abusive to his mother, he was again placed in a home in the country. He eloped again, was captured and held, placed, and again eloped. He was then sent to the State Almshouse, where he was held a short time. He was then placed with his mother, February, 1898, and has behaved well and worked industriously ever since. It is to be hoped that he now realizes that it is for his own interest to behave himself.

B. M., just under fifteen, was a girl with respectable parents and a good home. For some time she had made herself conspicuous with the employees of the street railway and other men, and had shown immoral tendencies. At last she left home with a worthless farm hand, with whom her father found her the same evening in a room on Kneeland street. She was taken home; a complaint of stubbornness was entered, and she was committed to the State Industrial School. She is there now, and seems filled with shame and repentance.

E. F., colored, twelve years old, was brought into court upon her father's complaint of stubbornness. E.'s mother died when she was eight years old, and from that time the child was boarded and left with families who took little care of her, and allowed her to spend her time on the streets.

She was a good girl in school, and bright; but needed restraint. The relations between the father and the woman with whom E. boarded were questionable, and it seemed necessary to remove her from these influences. She was committed to the custody of the Board, is now in a pleasant home, attending school, well and happy.

A. S., a girl nearly sixteen years old, had been under the care of the court probation officer, but had got beyond his control. Her mother had entered the complaint of stubbornness, but it seemed a pity to deprive her of A.'s aid, while there was a hope of saving the girl without removing her. She was transferred to the care of the Board's agent, and, by constant vigilance, was made more helpful and less saucy at home; gave her earnings to her mother and was kept off the streets at night for ten months. At the end of that time it was found that the influence of A.'s former companions had proved too great for her powers of resistance; and she was spending her evenings on the street with men and boys as before. She was committed to the State Industrial School.

G. G., was committed to the custody of the Board as neglected, when about seven years old. Her mother, an actress, had died during G.'s infancy, and the child had been taken by a woman who was subsequently arrested for abusing her. G. was placed in the State Primary School, and later was taken from there by a family, with a view to adoption, but she was returned from this home, charged with being thievish, untruthful, and immodest. For the next six years there was a succession of places, usually kept but a few months, with intervals at the Primary School. It was not until she reached her fifteenth year that a home was obtained where she seemed to fit. Her employer had many trials and needed much assistance from the visitor; but G. seemed at last to realize that all these efforts were being made in her behalf; that she must do her part to make them effectual; and that if she were faithful to her duties she would gain not only a living, but a home. Such it proved to be; there was but one child, a daughter of about G.'s age; she became, as they fondly said, a second daughter to them. Although of age some three months ago, she remains with them, and she is told that this will always be her home.

On her twenty-first birth-day her foster-parents gave her a gold watch; and she has a bank deposit of eighty dollars.

M. S., was committed to the care of the Board as a neglected child, at the age of nine years. Her father was dead, her mother in the House of Correction. M. had one defective eye, and her right arm was partially paralyzed. She was placed in the State Primary School, where she remained two years. With her infirmities, it seemed doubtful whether she could become self-supporting; still, the attempt was made to find her a free home. In her first place she was kept five months, and then returned to the School. A second trial was given; this time she stayed nine months. Finding some improvement, a third effort was made in February, 1893, when she was sent into a farming community; from that time she has been entirely self-supporting, and is still in this section, although she has made two changes. She has not only kept herself comfortably clothed, but has sent nearly forty dollars to the central office to be deposited for her. She is within a month of her majority. Her visitor feels confident that M. will remain in her district, and says she is capable of caring for herself when no longer subject to visitation.

E. S., was committed to the State Industrial School at the age of sixteen, on a charge of "stubbornness." Her father was colored, her mother white; their whereabouts unknown. E. had been for some time a member of a Church Home, having been placed from there in a private family some six months prior to her commitment. She had a violent temper and was very untruthful. After nearly two years' training at the State Industrial School, she was sent out to work in a private family. For about two years frequent changes were necessary, usually owing to her temper, but she finally seemed to be gaining more self-control, and last year was placed in one of our best country homes, where there were four young children. Since that time there have been no complaints; the children became very fond of her, and she has proved faithful in her duties, being especially kind and patient to the little ones. She became of age October 1, but her services were so appreciated that she was asked to remain at an increase of wages. She did so, and is

proving a credit to all who have endeavored to help and guide her in the past.

M. L., was committed to the State Industrial School for drunkenness, at the age of sixteen. She was born in England, her parents died, and she came to this country with an older sister, into one of our large manufacturing cities. She went to work in a mill, but got into bad company, was out late at night, and was known to have been drunk several times. While in the School she was found to have a very violent temper, but was strong, and grew to be a good worker. She was placed out under the direction of one of our oldest visitors, in whose district she had four places. She finally attempted to run away, and when caught was so violent that it was necessary to return her to the School. After two months of school-discipline she was placed again, and ran away in a month. Unsuccessful efforts were made to find her, but at the end of six months she wrote telling that she was at work in a mill; this was followed by a letter from her relatives asking to have her taken into our care again. She was accordingly returned to the School, and this time, on being sent out, did well and remained contentedly in her place till of age. She succeeded in controlling her temper, and never showed any disposition to yield to former temptations. Her employer, an extremely neat housekeeper, said M. was the best worker she had ever had from us. When M. was of age she returned to work in the mill, but soon wrote offering to come back; they were very glad to have her services again, and she returned, doing as well as while under our visitation.

— — was a juvenile offender, taken with several other little boys from the State Primary School. He had been found difficult to govern in the School, and was soon returned as unsatisfactory. He was subsequently placed out several times, but has now been nearly two years in one place where he was recently sent by the visitor who first placed him. He is greatly improved, and is much liked in the family.

— — was a colored boy committed to the Lyman School as a stubborn child. He was placed by one of the visitors with a man who kept a country hotel, where he soon

became very useful, being a good table waiter, and since his placing has been able to earn his own living.

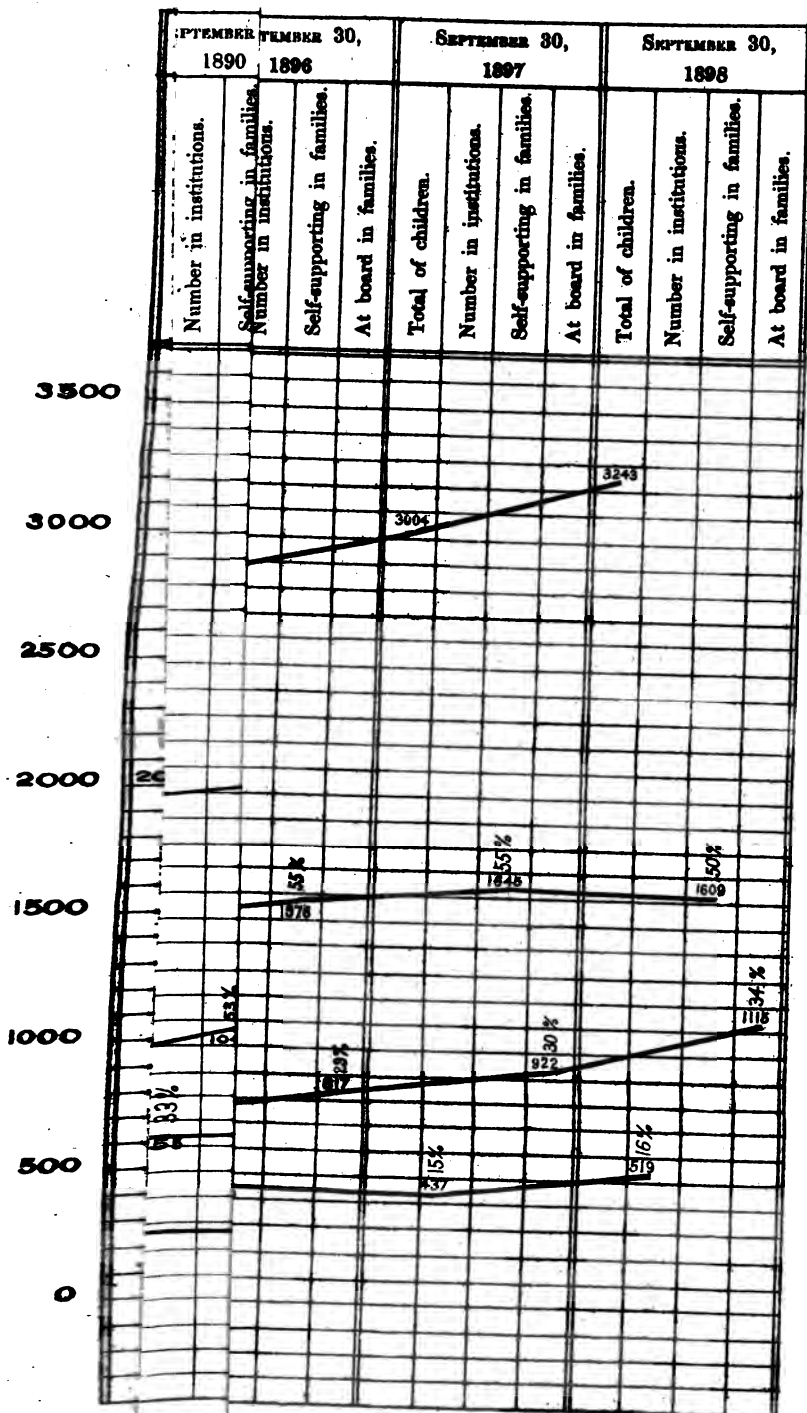
—— was placed by one of the visitors in a family abundantly able to provide for him, but who must have failed to take a proper interest in him, for he soon fell in with low associates, and was consequently removed from the place. He was afterwards tried in a family in a village, but was found noisy and rowdyish on the street. As a last resort the visitor prevailed on a friend of his, a retired minister, who had a large farm, and had formerly kept a boys' school, to try him, and there was soon evidence of a marked improvement in the boy. He received instruction from the man with whom he lived, afterwards attended an academy for a year, then became an attendant in one of the State hospitals for the insane, last Spring enlisted from there in one of the Massachusetts regiments that went to Cuba, has since returned, and is now a very promising young man.

Distribution of Children.

In connection with the accompanying chart, the following table shows the distribution of the children of all ages in institutions, and the percentage of the whole number in institutions, self-supporting in families, and at board in families, at the close of the official years 1866, 1876, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898.

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	Sept. 30, 1866.	Sept. 30, 1876.	Sept. 30, 1886.	Sept. 30, 1887.	Sept. 30, 1888.	Sept. 30, 1889.	Sept. 30, 1890.	Sept. 30, 1891.	Sept. 30, 1892.	Sept. 30, 1893.	Sept. 30, 1894.	Sept. 30, 1895.	Sept. 30, 1896.	Sept. 30, 1897.	Sept. 30, 1898.
State Almshouse,	178	74	46	60	73	44	37	66	51	42	45	40	62	36	56
State Farm,	65	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Primary School,	466	486	357	300	297	328	336	317	287	198	121	-	-	-	-
Lyman School,	332	349	90	118	142	184	185	200	219	238	234	264	268	257	266
State Industrial School,	137	127	70	58	63	87	97	91	82	112	124	111	129	144	167
School Ship,	259	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	1,437	1,098	563	536	575	643	655	674	609	590	524	415	469	437	519
Self-supporting in families,	628	1,000	835	899	902	897	1,046	1,058	1,297	1,421	1,459	1,482	1,576	1,645	1,609
At board in families,	-	44	247	262	240	262	274	325	378	437	582	736	817	922	1,115
Aggregate,	2,065	2,142	1,085	1,067	1,717	1,802	1,975	2,007	2,284	2,448	2,565	2,633	2,852	3,004	3,243
Percentage of whole number:															
In institutions,	70	51	33	32	33	36	33	33	27	24	20	16	16	15	16
In families, without board,	30	47	52	53	53	50	53	51	57	58	57	56	55	55	50
In families, with board,	-	2	15	15	14	14	14	16	16	18	23	28	29	30	34

Licensed Boarding-Houses for Infants.

During the last official year, 209 licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants were granted by the Board in 43 cities and towns, in addition to the 166 licenses in force at the expiration of the previous year; 150 licenses expired, 149 of them by the one year limitation, and 1 by eight months limitation; 48 were revoked, 47 on account of a change of residence, and 1 on account of death; and 177 licenses, permitting the boarding of 365 infants in 41 cities and towns, remained in force September 30, 1898. These represent the licensed homes, not only of infants supported by the Commonwealth, but also of those placed out by their parents, by the Boston Children's Aid Society, the Massachusetts Infant Asylum, the St. Mary's Infant Asylum, the Children's Institutions Department, the Gwynne Temporary Home, the New England Home for Little Wanderers, Ascension Society, and a few others.

Table showing the number of licenses issued; number of cities or towns where licensees reside; number of licenses expired and revoked; whole number in force, etc., for the year ending September 30, 1898, and the six preceding years.

YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30.	Licenses issued.	Number of towns.	Licenses expired.	Licenses revoked.	Licenses in force.	Applications refused.	Reports received.	Infants reported on.	Infants at board.
1892,	127	34	-	5	122	9	972	398	272
1893,	199	39	155	16	139	20	1,800	768	374
1894,	173	42	120	32	159	49	2,997	1,156	382
1895,	182	50	134	52	155	68	2,701	1,125	429
1896,	154	39	135	32	142	57	2,972	1,235	483
1897,	189	43	123	42	166	38	3,343	1,376	549
1898,	209	43	150	48	177	25	3,075	1,355	630

The following tables give the location or condition of children over three years of age visited by the agents of the Board, the general location of children in families and at board, the movement of the several classes of children subject to visitation, the disposal of cases of indigent

and neglected children and juvenile offenders, the number of visits to children and of special reports, a summary of infants under two years of age reported to the Board, a summary of action on applications for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants, and a summary of deaths of infants under two years of age.

Location or Condition of Children visited during the Year ending September 30, 1898.

	Whole Number.	Lymman Reformatory — Boys.	State Industrial School — Children — Girls.	JUVENILE OFFENDERS.		NEGLECTED CHILDREN.		DEPENDENT CHILDREN.	
				Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
In place,	945	171	167	89	17	178	138	125	70
With friends,	471	249	49	139	6	23	14	1	1
In place at board,	897			91	11	259	188	234	114
In other institutions, not penal,	75	2	16	8	1	12	18	7	9
In penal institutions,	32	3	14	4	1	6	5	6	-
Runaways,	54	20	11	5	1	6	5	-	-
Whereabouts unknown,	28	9	7	6	-	2	1	3	-
Total number subject to visitation, Sept. 30, 1898,	2,400	454	264	332	36	480	354	376	194
Died,	18	4	1	1	-	3	1	2	1
Returned during year,	45	27	18	-	-	-	6	-	2
Married,	89	4	15	62	6	52	30	66	43
Discharged,	210	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
In United States Service,	4	4	40	-	-	1	6	-	-
Became of age,	47	-	-	-	-	15	7	-	-
Dropped from visitation,	157	157	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transferred to Dept. Out-Door Poor,	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lymman School,	5	-	-	5	7	-	-	-	-
State Industrial School,	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts Reformatory,	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total number visited during the official year,	3,095	657	344	400	49	551	410	444	240
				449		961		684	

Location of Children placed in Families, September 30, 1898.

LOCATION.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
MASSACHUSETTS:			
Barnstable County,	5	45	50
Berkshire "	53	11	64
Bristol "	68	30	98
Dukes "	1	-	1
Essex "	93	54	147
Franklin "	78	32	110
Hampden "	261	66	327
Hampshire "	215	93	308
Middlesex "	190	192	382
Norfolk "	68	56	124
Plymouth "	32	36	68
Suffolk "	100	54	154
Worcester "	117	50	167
Total in Massachusetts,	1,281	719	2,000
MAINE,	27	24	51
NEW HAMPSHIRE,	29	15	44
VERMONT,	118	17	135
RHODE ISLAND,	8	3	11
CONNECTICUT,	99	16	115
Other States,	16	14	30
Total,	1,578	808	2,386

Location of Children at Board, September 30, 1898.

LOCATION.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
MASSACHUSETTS:			
Barnstable County,	1	9	10
Berkshire "	5	1	6
Bristol "	28	16	44
Essex "	32	21	53
Franklin "	30	17	47
Hampden "	168	28	194
Hampshire "	147	58	205
Middlesex "	64	89	153
Norfolk "	43	28	71
Plymouth "	20	21	41
Suffolk "	5	10	15
Worcester "	24	13	37
Total in Massachusetts,	567	309	876
MAINE,	1	-	1
NEW HAMPSHIRE,	2	2	4
VERMONT,	3	-	3
RHODE ISLAND,	2	-	2
CONNECTICUT,	9	2	11
Total,	584	313	897

Movement of Children, outside of Institutions, subject to Visitation, 1897-98.

CLASSES.	SUBJECT TO VISITATION SEPT. 30, 1897.			PLACED OUT DURING YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1898.			AGGREGATE.			CHARGED TO VISIT DURING YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1898.			SUBJECT TO VISITATION SEPT. 30, 1898.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Lyman School,	486	-	486	171	-	171	657	-	657	203	-	203	454	-	454
State Industrial School,	-	249	249	-	95	95	-	344	344	-	80	80	-	264	264
State Board of Lunacy and Charity:															
Juvenile Offenders,	329	84	363	71	15	86	400	49	449	68	13	81	332	36	368
Neglected Children,	427	297	724	124	113	237	551	410	961	71	56	127	480	354	834
Dependent "	346	184	530	98	56	154	444	240	684	68	46	114	376	194	570
Total,	1,588	764	2,352	464	279	743	2,052	1,043	3,095	410	195	605	1,642	848	2,490

Disposal of Cases of Juvenile Offenders and Neglected Children.

MONTHS.	Number of Court No- tices received.	Number of Court Cases attended.	Lyman School.	State Industrial School.	State Board.	House of Reformation, Boston.	Massachusetts Reform- atory.	Overseers of the Poor.	Trustees for Children, Boston.	House of Correction.	Held for Superior Court.	Recommitted to Lyman School.	Fined.	Probation.
1897.														
October,	320	320	16	9	27	10*	23†	4	1	1	4	2	65	50
November,	259	258	14*	9	27	4	11†	-	-	-	6	1	24	68
December,	190	190	10	5	25||	8	6†	4	1	-	3	-	23†	21
1898.														
January,	300	300	12	8	41†	6	16†	11	-	-	6	-	38	43
February,	235	231	14†	7	21	4†	11†	-	3	-	3	1	35	55
March,	306	299	10	3	32	8	4†	3	1	-	5	-	37	69
April,	284	284	18†	7	25†	7†	14	-	5	-	-	1	42	59
May,	335	335	21	6	34	10†	13†	3	1	-	-	-	57†	59
June,	344	344	14†	6	28†	7†	15†	5	-	-	2	-	56	86
July,	362	350	19	12	18†	8	14	1	11	-	3	-	46	80
August,	350	350	23*	13	35†	9†	16†	-	-	2	2	-	33	87
September,	314	300	20\$	6	24	7	11	-	-	1	1	1	41	57
Total,	3,599	3,561	191	91	937	88	153	91	23	4	35	6	497	734

* 3 appealed. † 2 appealed. ‡ 1 appealed. § 4 appealed. || 6 appealed.

Disposal of Cases of Juvenile Offenders and Neglected Children — Concluded.

MONTHS.		Discharged.	Dismissed.	Filed.	Continued.	Jail.	Plummer Farm School.	Workhouse.	Failed to appear.	Costs.	Reformatory Prison for Women.	State Farm.	Truant School.	Total.
1897.														
October, .	.	84	18	30	26	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	320
November, .	.	30	3	26	24	4*	2	1	4	-	-	-	-	258
December, .	.	29	4	14	35	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	190
1898.														
January, .	.	34	15	19	40	3	-	2	4	1	1	-	-	300
February, .	.	36	3	4	29	-	-	1	3	-	1	-	-	231
March, .	.	38	7	22	59	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	-	299
April, .	.	36	9	17	32	1	1	-	6	5	-	-	-	284
May, .	.	41	10	26	43	1	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	335
June, .	.	23	8	33	54	4	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	344
July, .	.	44	20	47	23	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	350
August, .	.	32	8	31	44	1	1	1	10	-	2	-	-	350
September, .	.	29	6	15	66	3	-	-	10	-	1	-	-	300
Total, .	.	400	111	284	475	18	5	5	57	7	7	1	1	3,561

* 1 appealed.

Number of Visits to Wards and Special Reports during the Official Year.

MONTHS.	VISITS TO WARDS.		SPECIAL REPORTS.	
	By Paid Visitors.	By Auxiliary Visitors.	By Paid Visitors.	By Auxiliary Visitors.
1897.				
October,	614	80	139	5
November,	587	29	133	3
December,	498	24	105	1
1898.				
January,	446	43	110	3
February,	284	38	134	3
March,	536	92	157	12
April,	535	29	155	—
May,	690	32	94	2
June,	518	61	85	5
July,	435	48	135	4
August,	735	33	133	7
September,	396	83	100	6
Total,	6,274	592	1,480	51

Summary of Infants under Two Years of Age Reported to the State Board of Lunacy and Charity from October 1, 1897, to September 30, 1898, inclusive, under Chap. 318, Acts of 1892, which Provides for the Protection of Infants and the Licensing and Regulating of Boarding Houses for them.

INFANTS.																			
SUPERVISION OF —	Number of Reports Received.	MALES.				FEMALES.				Total.	DIED.								
		Legitimate.	Illegitimate.	Unknown.	Total.	Legitimate.	Illegitimate.	Unknown.	Total.		LICENSED HOMES.			UNLICENSED HOMES.					
											Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.			
																	Males.	Females.	Total.
Private,	766	108	119	9	236	102	136	11	249	485	8	10	18	17	12	29	25	22	47
State Board,	1,061	36	87	37	160	41	62	36	139	299	23	19	42	1	6	6	24	24	48
Boston Children's Aid Society,	58	7	8	—	15	10	6	1	17	32	—	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	2
Massachusetts Infant Asylum,	262	46	20	1	67	36	22	—	58	125	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	1	2
St. Mary's Infant Asylum,	579	10	92	22	124	14	91	14	119	243	4	1	5	35	36	71	39	37	76
Children's Institutions Department,	121	20	3	2	25	22	14	1	37	62	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	1	2
Gwynne Temporary Home,	69	15	2	—	17	13	4	1	18	35	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	1
New England Home for Little Wanderers,	65	1	5	—	6	6	14	—	20	26	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	2	2
Ascension Society,	72	12	6	—	18	4	6	4	14	32	—	—	—	3	—	3	3	—	3
All others,	22	3	5	1	9	3	3	1	7	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals,	3,075	258	347	72	677	251	358	69	678	1,355	35	32	67	60	56	116	95	88	183

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INFANTS.												
SUPERVISION OF —	ADOPTED.			DISCHARGED TO PARENTS, ETC.			BECAME TWO YEARS OLD.			REMAINING AT BOARD SEPT. 30, 1898.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Private,	—	3	3	69	65	134	33	33	66	109	126	235
State Board,	3	7	10	19	9	28	44	26	70	70	73	143
Boston Children's Aid Society,	1	—	1	2	3	5	2	1	3	9	12	21
Massachusetts Infant Asylum,	—	—	—	12	13	25	17	9	26	37	35	72
St. Mary's Infant Asylum,	—	—	—	30	34	64	11	7	18	44	41	85
Children's Institutions Department,	—	—	—	3	—	3	7	12	19	14	24	38
Gwynne Temporary Home,	—	2	2	11	10	21	2	4	6	3	2	5
New England Home for Little Wanderers,	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	8	10	4	10	14
Ascension Society,	—	—	—	8	11	19	1	—	1	6	3	9
All others,	1	—	1	1	—	1	2	4	6	5	3	8
Totals,	5	12	17	165	145	300	121	104	225	301	329	630

Deaths of Infants under Two Years of Age.

AGES BY MONTHS.	Private.	State Board.	Boston Children's Aid Society.	Massachusetts Infant Asylum.	St. Mary's Infant Asylum.	Children's Institutions Department.	Gwynne Temporary Home.	New England Home for Little Wanderers.	Ascension Society.	Total.
Under one month,	2	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	9
One month but under two,	5	7	1	1	17	1	1	1	1	30
Two months but under three,	9	1	1	1	14	1	1	1	1	25
Three months but under four,	8	6	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	20
Four months but under five,	4	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11
Five months but under six,	3	3	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	13
Six months and over,	16	25	1	2	27	1	1	1	2	75
Totals,	47	48	2	2	76	2	1	2	3	183

THE STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The State Institutions under the general supervision of the Board, during the official year, were as follows :—

- THE LYMAN SCHOOL FOR BOYS, Westborough, — *Superintendent*, Theodore F. Chapin.
- THE STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, Lancaster, — *Superintendent*, Luann L. Brackett.
- THE STATE ALMSHOUSE AT TEWKSBURY, — *Superintendent*, John H. Nichols, M.D.
- THE STATE FARM AT BRIDGEWATER, — *Superintendent*, Hollis M. Blackstone.
- THE WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL, — *Superintendent*, Hosea M. Quinby, M.D.
- THE TAUNTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL, — *Superintendent*, John P. Brown, M.D.
- THE NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL, — *Superintendent*, John A. Houston, M.D.
- THE WORCESTER INSANE ASYLUM, — *Superintendent*, Ernest V. Scribner, M.D.
- THE DANVERS LUNATIC HOSPITAL, — *Superintendent*, Arthur H. Harrington, M.D.
- THE WESTBOROUGH INSANE HOSPITAL, — *Superintendent*, George S. Adams, M.D.
- THE MEDFIELD INSANE ASYLUM, — *Superintendent*, Edward French, M.D.
- THE MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR DIPSO MANIACS AND INEBRIATES, Foxborough, — *Superintendent*, Marcello Hutchinson, M.D.
- THE MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPTICS, Monson, — *Superintendent*, Owen Copp, M.D.
- *THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED, Waltham, — *Superintendent*, Walter E. Fernald, M.D.
- *THE HOSPITAL COTTAGES FOR CHILDREN, Baldwinville, — *Superintendent*, Everett Flood, M.D.
- *THE McLEAN HOSPITAL, Waverley, — *Superintendent*, Edward Cowles, M.D.

THE LYMAN AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

Trustees: Melvin H. Walker, of Westborough, *President*; Elizabeth G. Evans, of Boston, *Secretary*; Henry C. Greeley, of Clinton, *Treasurer*; Michael J. Sullivan, of Chicopee; Elizabeth C. Putnam, of Boston; Samuel W. McDaniel, of Cambridge; Edmund C. Sanford, of Worcester.

* Partly under State control.

The Lyman School for Boys.

(Opened, 1848.)

THEODORE F. CHAPIN, *Superintendent.**Receipts and Expenses.*

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Receipts:—

Commonwealth,	\$85,271 96	
Cash from farm, etc.,	496 21	
		<u>\$85,768 17</u>

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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$26,688 27	
Provisions and supplies,	12,012 12	
Clothing,	5,714 92	
Fuel and lights,	6,599 26	
Medicine and medical supplies,	172 90	
Furnishings,	2,031 62	
Grain and feed for stock,	2,129 47	
School supplies,	1,482 37	
Transportation,	954 80	
Seeds, plants, farm tools, etc.,	1,493 57	
Ordinary repairs and improvements,	3,800 98	
All other current expenses,	2,784 64	
Special appropriation,	19,407 04	
		<u>\$85,271 96</u>
Paid into State Treasury,	496 21	
		<u>\$85,768 17</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$4.52.

Market value of permanent funds, September 30, 1898,
\$67,325.51.*Numbers.*

Number in School October 1, 1897,	257
Committed during year,	184
Returned from places,	87
Recommitted,	2
Runaways recaptured,	13
	<u>286</u>
Whole number in School during year,	543
Released —	
On probation,	174
Boarded out,	37
Massachusetts Reformatory,	11
Died,	1
Returned to Court,	1
Returned to State Board of Lunacy and Charity,	1
Runaways,	22
	<u>247</u>
Number in School September 30, 1898,	296

Of the 184 boys committed during the year, two were 15 years old, seventy-nine 14 years, fifty-two 13 years, twenty-eight 12 years, fourteen 11 years, seven 10 years, and two 9 years; 58 of them were committed for larceny, 55 for breaking and entering, 45 for stubbornness, and the rest for other offences; 107 of them had been arrested before, and in 54 cases other members of the family had been arrested before; 71 had an intemperate father, 5 an intemperate mother, and 14 both parents intemperate; all but 4 had attended church; 25 had not attended school within a year. 40 per cent. of them were of foreign parentage, 27 per cent. of American parentage, and 33 per cent. unknown. 49 different boys were cared for at the branch institution called the Berlin Cottage during the year, but no more than 24 boys are kept there at a time.

The central school building, for which the Legislature made an appropriation of \$25,000 last year, is in process of erection. It is constructed of brick, and is largely the work of the boys; it will contain eight school-rooms, a gymnasium, and an audience-room.

The number of commitments to the Institution have increased during the year from 124 to 154, and there appear to be now about 50 more boys than can be properly accommodated in the eight family houses. The Trustees will ask for appropriations to build two additional cottages, to provide for the rapidly increasing numbers. They will also ask for appropriations to build a central laundry and kitchen, in which the laundry work and cooking of the Institution can be done, instead of being carried on in the separate buildings; this seems to be a further departure from the cottage system, formerly favored by the Trustees.

The State Industrial School for Girls.

(Opened, 1856.)

LUANN L. BRACKETT, *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Receipts:—

Commonwealth,	\$41,272 52	
Sale of produce,	1,185 65	
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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$12,682	92
Provisions and supplies,	5,180	21
Clothing,	2,815	23
Fuel and lights,	2,717	02
Medicine and medical supplies,	76	11
Furnishings,	612	13
Grain and feed for stock,	1,746	39
School supplies,	421	42
Transportation,	905	06
Seeds, plants, farm tools, etc.,	500	56
Ordinary repairs and improvements,	1,699	68
Extraordinary repairs and improvements,	8,538	23
Boarding younger girls,	1,426	48
Other expenses,	1,951	08
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		\$41,272 52
Paid into State Treasury,		1,185 65
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		\$42,458 17
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Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.64.

Market value of permanent funds, September 30, 1898,
\$3,407.42.

Numbers.

Number in School October 1, 1897,	144
Committed during year,	102
Returned from places, home, hospitals, etc.,	49
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Whole number in School during year,	295
Released during year,	128
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Number in School September 30, 1898,	167

Of the 102 commitments to the School during the year, 61 were for stubbornness, 13 for larceny, 2 for breaking, entering, and larceny, 8 for idle and disorderly conduct, 2 for drunkenness, 2 for fornication, 4 for lasciviousness in speech and conduct, 3 for night-walking, 4 for vagrancy and idleness, 2 for assault and battery, 1 for burning barn. Of the 102, 66 were born in Massachusetts, 6 in England, 9 in Canada, 1 in Ireland, 1 in Scotland, 1 at sea, 3 unknown, and the rest in other parts of the United States; 29 were of American parentage, 21 of Irish, 10 of French, and the rest of other nations. All but 8 could read and write. Of the 53 girls who during the year passed out of the care of the State, 68 per cent. are reported as living respectably.

Having in view the increasing numbers at the School, and being of the opinion that the present system of classification of the inmates should be continued and still farther developed, the Trustees, in their Annual Report, recommend that a branch school be established at some distance from the present one. They declare that the School, if enlarged much beyond the number of one hundred and fifty, would be seriously injured in its efficiency, as its methods rely chiefly upon personal influence, and upon the system of industrial education, which could not be carried out should the School become much larger; and they suggest the purchase of a farm in some convenient locality, preferably within easy distance from the present School, where the nucleus of a new school can be started. They think that this should be done at the earliest possible date, so as to prevent further overcrowding. In the new school they would place the girls already classified for the most serious offences.

This plan is strongly urged by the Trustees as the result of their knowledge and experience, and for this reason, if for no other, it certainly deserves careful consideration. There is no doubt that some further accommodation is required at the school to prevent over-crowding, but there are several points to be looked at.

The purchase of another farm within ten miles of the present institution and the erection thereon of two school buildings call for a large outlay of money at once, and will require far more later on. It will be necessary to provide a new water supply, a new system of sewerage, farm buildings, stock and farmer, chapel, hospital and administration building. All these are already, at the present School, provided at large expense, and are as well adapted for 200 as for 150 girls. There is ample room on the grounds for another house, and if at any time more is required, land can be bought in the immediate vicinity at a reasonable price.

Much stress is laid upon the personal influence of the present Superintendent, and it is urged that it cannot be exerted over more than the present number of girls. The Board fully admits the value of Mrs. Brackett's work, and desires to express its appreciation of her services; but it is

questionable whether, even now, the personal element can be as valuable as it was when there were only fifty girls in the School. The real influence now must be with the matrons of the several houses, who are in close relations with the girls; and it is in the selection of these women that the Superintendent can do most effective work.

It is evidently the wish and intention of the Trustees that any branch school now established shall in a few years become a separate and independent institution, and the question arises whether the greatest good of the greatest number could not better be obtained by establishing an institution for girls of a somewhat different character, to hold an intermediate position between the Industrial School and the Reformatory Prison at Sherborn, in a situation to be carefully selected, instead of allowing it to grow up incidentally, as it were, within a few miles of the present School. If the existing necessity could be met by the erection of a new house at Lancaster, it would then be a question for the Legislature to decide, at its leisure, whether a new institution is really needed, of just what kind it should be, and where situated.

THE STATE ALMSHOUSE AND THE STATE FARM.

These two Institutions are under the direction of a single Board of Trustees. The Trustees are as follows: J. White Belcher, of Randolph, *Chairman*; Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River, *Secretary*; Sarah D. Fiske, of Malden; Leonard Huntress, M.D., of Lowell; Jacob H. Hecht, of Boston; Anna F. Prescott, of Boston; Cecil F. P. Bancroft, of Andover.

The State Almshouse.

(Opened, 1854.)

JOHN H. NICHOLS, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Receipts: —

Commonwealth,	\$177,778 17
Other sources,	994 82
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						\$178,772 99

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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$36,581 04
Provisions and supplies,	45,672 08
Clothing, dry goods, boots and shoes,	12,906 32
Fuel and lights, machinery and mechanical fixtures, pipes and fittings,	12,958 36
Medicine and medical supplies,	7,422 62
Furnishings, beds and bedding,	2,034 20
Grain and feed for stock,	3,804 66
Transportation,	5,470 12
Ordinary repairs and construction,	9,312 86
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	31,496 12
Other expenses,	10,119 79
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	\$177,778 17
Paid into State Treasury,	994 82
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	<u>\$178,772 99</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$2.18.

Numbers.

	SANE.				INSANE.			TOTAL.			
	Men.	Women.	Children.*	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.*	Total.
Number October 1, 1897,	433	176	39	648	109	360	469	542	536	39	1,117
Admitted during year,	2,379	559	428	3,366	45	40	85	2,424	599	428	3,451
Discharged during year,	2,263	539	412	3,214	51	51	102	2,314	590	412	3,316
Number September 30, 1898,	549	196	55	800	103	349	452	652	545	55	1,252

* Persons fifteen years of age and under.

Classification of discharges: Deaths, 291; Removals, 3,025.

Number of maternity cases during the year: Confinements, 119; Living births, 120.

The number admitted during the year, 3,451, was a decrease of 174 from the previous year. The largest number present was 1,558 on February 22; the weekly average was 1,292, or 3 more than the previous year. Nearly 93 per cent. of the persons admitted were treated in the hospitals. Of the 291 deaths, 30 were among the insane. Among the diseases treated were 132 cases of syphilis. In the 119 maternity cases, 50 of the mothers were born in Ireland, 5 in England, 20 in the British provinces, 10 in other foreign

countries, and 34 in the United States. The women in the pauper department manufactured 22,576 articles during the year, and the women in the insane ward, 14,802 articles.

The improvements in this Institution, begun by Dr. Howard, have been continued under his successor. The east half of the building, occupied by insane women, in the rear quadrangle opposite the administration building, was first ready for occupancy in July, 1866, and the west half was ready in December, 1872. The first half was divided into two wards, known as wards 2 and 3, and the second half was originally ward 2, but has lately been divided, and is now known as wards 2 and 6. Ward 6, comprising the extreme west end of the building, has had a tower added, with a fire escape, and has been provided with new and enlarged windows, and new floors, and has been painted throughout. Ward 2 is undergoing similar repairs, and it is intended to extend these improvements throughout the building. When the whole is completed, ward 1 will contain the filthy patients; ward 2 the infirm; ward 3 the convalescents from ward 5; ward 6 those accustomed to better social surroundings; ward 5, which is the new building for insane women, will remain a receptacle for the noisy and troublesome cases; and ward 4 will contain insane men.

The Legislature of 1898 made an appropriation of \$3,500 for painting out-buildings; and the cattle barn, store barn, ice house, and the water tower have been so painted. Work is in progress on the building known as the "maternity ward," which will be so arranged that the whole north side will be divided into a corridor, and three rooms for lying-in cases; and the whole south side will be used for water-closets and a dormitory for convalescents.

The nurses' home, situated at a distance from the other buildings, finished and occupied last May, has single rooms for forty nurses. This is the first nurses' home established among the State Institutions. The training school for nurses has completed its third year, and has had one graduate. The course in the school has recently been extended so as to include work in the asylum department, as well as in the hospitals. The pupils entering the school after January 1, 1899, will receive \$12 a month for the first six months, \$15

a month for the next six months, \$15.50 a month during the second year, and \$20 a month during the third year. Graduate nurses in charge of certain departments will receive \$25 and \$30 a month. The course of training prepares pupils to become efficient nurses in medical, surgical, obstetrical, and mental cases. Thirty-four lectures are delivered to each class during the year, and occasionally there are lectures by physicians and others outside the Institution.

Among the improvements suggested by the Trustees are a new dormitory for men, a new laundry, a cold storage plant, and the adoption of a better system of air supply.

The present dormitory accommodations for men, other than the sick and the insane, consist of a dormitory containing three hundred beds, the old bakery containing one hundred beds, and the south attic, in the asylum for insane men, containing forty beds; and at present about all of these beds are occupied. The middle attic of ward 4 is occupied by the insane, and the north attic will be ready for the occupancy of new inmates as soon as fire-escapes are attached to that part of the building. This will add sleeping accommodations for forty men. It is now proposed to extend the south wing of the men's almshouse so as to accommodate two hundred beds, and to demolish the old bakery, which has long been an eyesore.

The present laundry is insufficient for its purpose, and it is now proposed to erect a new building for laundry uses in the northwest part of the inclosure, and to occupy the present laundry, which is a continuation of the south wing of the women's almshouse, as a dormitory for women, thus adding about a hundred beds to the present accommodations.

A cold storage plant has been several times suggested, and would undoubtedly be an advantage to the Institution, as there is now no one place of sufficient capacity to contain the vegetable supplies.

The present system of water supply is entirely inadequate to the needs of the Hospital. The main supply is now furnished from a brook, a short distance northeast from the Institution, whence it is carried to a standpipe on the hill back of the airing court for insane women, the overflow

from this filling the artificial reservoir near by. This water is used for laundry, lavatory, and baths; but is not fit for drinking or cooking. The water for the latter purposes is obtained from a few dug wells on the premises, raised to the surface by hand-pumps, and carried by hand to the kitchen and dining rooms. But there is danger of this water becoming contaminated, and one well has already been abandoned. In certain seasons the brook has run dry and the wells have been the only resource. It is proposed to ask the Legislature to appropriate \$2,000 to experiment in the sinking of artesian wells.

The last Legislature appropriated \$50,000 for the erection of a building for consumptives, of which only \$25,000 could be expended during the year 1898. With a view to the probability of its completion before the close of the year 1899, it would be well for the Legislature to make some appropriation towards its furnishing.

The State Farm.

(Opened, 1866.)

HOLLIS M. BLACKSTONE, *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

Receipts:—		DR.	
Commonwealth,	. . . . .	\$131,351	59
Other sources,	. . . . .	5,416	87
			<u>\$136,768 46</u>
		CR.	
Salaries, wages, and labor,	. . . . .	\$40,020	06
Provisions and supplies,	. . . . .	43,745	73
Clothing,	. . . . .	10,127	91
Fuel and lights,	. . . . .	10,701	30
Medicine and medical supplies,	. . . . .	1,481	89
Furnishings,	. . . . .	3,689	14
Grain and feed for stock,	. . . . .	3,441	59
Transportation,	. . . . .	2,131	62
Ordinary repairs and construction,	. . . . .	6,229	22
Other ordinary expenses,	. . . . .	9,783	13
			<u>\$131,351 59</u>
Paid into State Treasury,	. . . . .	5,416	87
			<u>\$136,768 46</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$2.10.

Numbers.

	PAUPERS.			PRISONERS.			INSANE.	TOTAL.		
	Men.	Women.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total.	Men.	Men.	Women.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897, .	145	3	148	615	33	648	325	1,085	36	1,121
Admitted during year, .	140	45	185	1,452	76	1,528	54	1,646	121	1,767
Discharged during year, .	148	46	194	1,380	67	1,447	79	1,607	113	1,720
Number September 30, 1898,	137	2	139	687	42	729	300	1,124	44	1,168

Classification of discharges: Deaths, 72; Removals, 1,648; Total, 1,720.

The population of this Institution is made up of three classes, viz., paupers, prisoners, and insane,—the latter occupying that portion of the Institution designated by the law of 1895 as the State Asylum for Insane Criminals. At the end of the official year there were 9 less paupers than at the beginning, and 25 less insane; while the number of prisoners had increased from 648 to 729. The largest number of all classes during the year was 1,348, the smallest 1,044, and the average 1,198; the corresponding figures for the previous year being 1,360, 1,043, and 1,186. The largest number of admissions in any one month was 220, in the month of November, out of a total of 1,767 for the year. Among the 1,528 prisoners received, 1,003 were classed as drunkards, 206 as vagrants, and 296 as tramps; 545 of them had been admitted previously, viz., 282 for the second time, 133 for the third, 74 for the fourth, 25 for the fifth, 8 for the sixth, 7 for the seventh, 7 for the eighth, 3 for the ninth, 1 for the eleventh, 2 for the twelfth, and 3 for the fourteenth. Of the sentences, 949 were for six months, and 291 for one year; the rest for periods varying from 1 to 24 months. Of the 1,767 persons admitted, 626 were born in Massachusetts, 268 in other parts of the United States, 486 in Ireland, 129 in England, 133 in the British provinces, 32 in Scotland, 16 in Germany, 12 in Sweden, and the remainder in other foreign countries.

Of the 54 cases admitted during the year to that portion of the Institution known as the State Asylum for Insane Criminals, 3 were transferred from State Lunatic Hospitals,

and 51 were committed directly from penal institutions and by the Courts. Of the 79 cases discharged, 5 were discharged as recovered. There were 24 deaths. Of the 300 cases remaining at the end of the year, only 250 could be classed as criminal insane, the remaining 50 being those left of the pauper class of insane at the time of the opening of the Asylum. Of the 379 cases under treatment during the year, mechanical restraint for short periods was used in 10, and seclusion for short periods in 49. 75.6 inmates, on the average, have been employed in chair-seating.

The decrease in the number of insane during the year is accounted for by the transfer of thirty patients to the Medfield Insane Asylum.

There are generally between forty and fifty women in the Institution, most of them committed for drunkenness, and, in many cases, previously committed to local houses of correction. A considerable proportion of them, apart from their habits of inebriety, are orderly and well behaved persons, who need little restraint beyond supervision; but many of them are of a troublesome disposition, and for the better care of this class the Trustees recommend the reconstruction of two of the older buildings occupied by the insane, so as to provide for twenty-five cells or single rooms.

With over 700 male inmates of the prison department, there have been cell accommodations for only 225, so that 500 were sleeping in dormitories, half of which were intended for paupers rather than for prisoners. An additional building for the cell accommodation of 296 prisoners has lately been erected and is about ready for occupancy.

During the month of October, 1898, there were 49 fewer commitments than in October, 1897, as will be seen from the following table.

	Oct., 1897.	Oct., 1898.
Drunkenness,	114	107
Tramping,	49	27
Vagrancy,	35	12
All others,	1	4
Totals,	199	150

This falling off in commitments is attributed by the Institution authorities to the working of the new "indeterminate sentence" law, which went into effect on the first of October. This law is as follows :—

[ACTS OF 1898, CHAPTER 443.]

SECTION 1. When a convict is sentenced to the state farm the court or trial justice imposing the sentence shall not fix or limit the duration thereof. Whoever is so sentenced for drunkenness may be held in the custody of said state farm for a term not exceeding one year, and whoever is so sentenced for any other offence may be held in such custody for a term not exceeding two years.

SECTION 2. When it shall appear to the state board of charity that any person so sentenced is reformed they may issue to him a permit to be at liberty for the remainder of the period for which he might be held, upon such conditions as they shall establish; and they may revoke said permit at any time previous to its expiration.

SECTION 3. When any permit issued as aforesaid has been revoked said state board of charity may issue an order for the return of the holder thereof to said state farm; and said order may be executed by any officer authorized to serve criminal process. The holder of said permit when returned to said state farm shall be detained therein for the remainder of the term for which he might be held under the provisions of section one of this act, and the time between his release on permit and said return shall not be considered as any part of said term.

SECTION 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect on the first day of October in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Dr. Arthur H. Harrington, Medical Director of the Asylum for Insane Criminals since the enactment of the law of 1895 establishing this Asylum as a separate department of the Institution, resigned August 1, to accept the position of Superintendent of Danvers Lunatic Hospital. He was succeeded by Dr. Charles A. Drew, formerly first assistant at Medfield Insane Asylum.

THE WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1833.)

Trustees: A. George Bullock, of Worcester, *Chairman*; David T. Dickinson, of Cambridge, *Secretary*; Thomas H. Gage, M.D., of Worcester; George W. Wells, of South-

bridge; Rockwood Hoar, of Worcester; Sarah E. Whitin, of Whitinsville; Frances M. Lincoln, of Worcester.

HOSEA M. QUINBY, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$44,031 90
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$37,278 75
Town patients,	86,399 08
Private patients,	43,099 90
Other sources,	8,162 29
	<u>174,940 02</u>
	<u>\$218,971 92</u>
CR.	
Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$61,585 99
Provisions and supplies,	57,298 07
Clothing,	8,756 65
Fuel and lights,	12,218 13
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,575 96
Furnishings,	4,148 77
Transportation,	254 96
Ordinary repairs and construction,	8,856 55
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	24,935 74
Other expenses,	14,026 77
	<u>\$193,657 59</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	25,314 33
	<u>\$218,971 92</u>
Total resources,	\$68,856 58
Total liabilities,	15,141 59
Balance in favor of Hospital,	<u>\$53,714 99</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.60.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Not Insane.	Dipso-maniacs.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897,	382	485	272	446	149	866	-	1	867
Admitted during year,	257	231	427	16	45	485	-	3	488
Discharged during year,	261	220	212	227	42	470	8	3	481
Number September 30, 1898,	378	496	242	472	160	873	-	1	874

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 121; Deaths, 101; Discharged by transfer, 154; Other removals, 105; Total, 481.

Of the 417 first admissions within the year, 64 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 871.4. The largest number present at any one time was 918; the smallest, 833. In addition to the 121 discharged as recovered, 56 were discharged as much improved, and 70 as improved. Of the recoveries, 6 had acute melancholia, and 28 acute mania; 39 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 22 less than three months, 4 less than six months, and 7 less than a year. Among the deaths 26 were from general paralysis, 29 from senile dementia, and 13 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 144 cases, heredity in 263, senility in 38, and epilepsy in 12.

Of the patients removed during the year, 17 men and 13 women were transferred to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, and 1 man and 30 women to the Medfield Insane Asylum. It is largely due to these removals that the number of patients remaining at the close of the year is about the same as it was at the beginning.

The infirmary wards, provided by the legislation of 1896, are practically completed and ready for occupancy. They are so constructed as to be in harmony with the general character of the building, are light, airy, and sunny, and the interior is well arranged. Under the legislation of 1897, providing for the building of a new boiler-house, a new kitchen, and additional rooms for employees, the new boiler-house and kitchen have been completed. The kitchen is now entirely separate from the other buildings, is built of stone, one story high, and appears to be in all respects very satisfactorily arranged. Worthy of note is the introduction of a system of telephones connecting the wards and all the departments of the hospital with one another, including the farm and outbuildings, at a total cost of \$2,000.

Appended to the Report of the Trustees and the Superintendent is the valuable and suggestive medical report of Dr. Adolph Meyer, Assistant Physician and Director of the Laboratory. The report is a summary of the difficulties in the way of a successful study of mental diseases, with suggestions regarding the true methods to be followed.

THE TAUNTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1854.)

Trustees: Ruth S. Murray, of New Bedford, *Chairman*;
Henry R. Stedman, M.D., of Boston, *Secretary*; William
C. Lovering, of Taunton; Susan E. Learoyd, of Wakefield;
Oakes A. Ames, of North Easton; Milton Reed, of Fall
River; Gerard C. Tobey, of Wareham.

JOHN P. BROWN, M.D., *Superintendent.**Receipts and Expenses.*

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$19,902 51
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$27,702 34
Town patients,	92,630 51
Private patients,	15,536 03
Sales,	3,847 08
	<hr/> 139,715 96
	<hr/> <hr/> \$159,618 47
CR.	
Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$50,582 41
Provisions and supplies,	41,712 06
Clothing,	5,370 47
Fuel and lights,	13,375 51
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,896 33
Furnishings,	5,632 58
Grain and feed for stock,	3,291 13
Transportation,	475 15
Ordinary repairs and construction,	5,691 18
Miscellaneous expenses,	10,232 91
	<hr/> \$138,259 73
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	21,358 74
	<hr/> <hr/> \$159,618 47
Total resources,	\$57,143 21
Total liabilities,	18,643 87
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Balance in favor of Hospital,	\$38,499 34

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.40.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Dipso- maniacs.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897, . . .	369	389	124	563	71	752	6	758
Admitted during year, . . .	201	161	287	51	24	359	3	362
Discharged during year, . . .	169	145	108	181	25	310	4	314
Number September 30, 1898, . .	401	405	156	577	73	801	5	806

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 52; Deaths, 82; Discharged by transfer, 40; Other removals, 140; Total, 314.

Of the 299 first admissions within the year, 25 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 781.6. The largest number present at any one time was 808; the smallest, 739. In addition to the 52 discharged as recovered, 37 were discharged as much improved and 55 as improved. Of the recoveries, 21 had acute melancholia, and 5 acute mania; 27 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 9 less than three months, and 2 less than a year. The whole duration of insanity in 73 per cent. of those who recovered did not exceed one year. Among the deaths 9 were from general paralysis, 9 from senile dementia, and 12 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 39 cases, heredity in 41, senility in 27, and epilepsy in 21.

Of the patients removed during the year, 20 were transferred to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, and 2 to the Medfield Insane Asylum. There was a considerably lower percentage of mortality than during the preceding year. Twenty-nine autopsies were made, with the consent of friends in each case.

During the year the bay windows, provided by a special appropriation, were all finished, thus giving the inmates of six wards additional light and air. The gate-house at the south entrance has been completed, and also the work of painting the outside of all the buildings, which has occupied two years.

The training school for nurses has continued to do good work. It graduated, in June, a class of four men and four women, all of whom completed the three years' course. All of these graduates are now in the service of the Hospital, four as supervisors, and four as head nurses. One of the early needs of the Hospital is a building for a nurses' home. Much attention is given to the employment of patients, and an unusually large number of them have been engaged in skilled labor.

THE NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1858.)

Trustees: William D. MacInnes, of Pittsfield, *Chairman*; Sarah M. Butler, of Northampton, *Secretary*; Sarah T. Woodworth, of Chicopee; Lyman D. James, of Williamsburg; Elisha Morgan, of Springfield; Alvan Barrus, of Goshen; Frederic W. Chapin, of Springfield.

JOHN A. HOUSTON, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$1,866 11
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$9,386 08
Town patients,	66,652 04
Private patients,	22,490 08
Sales,	3,329 18
Other sources,	960 91
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	102,818 29
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	\$104,684 40

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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$37,579 92
Provisions and supplies,	25,341 25
Clothing,	2,511 83
Fuel and lights,	7,023 46
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,214 69
Furnishings,	2,403 90
Grain and feed for stock,	3,161 40
Transportation,	757 88
Ordinary repairs and construction,	5,478 72
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$85,473 05

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$85,473 05
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	.	.	.	10,044 84
Other expenses,	.	.	.	7,914 11
				<u>\$103,432 00</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	.	.	.	1,252 40
				<u>\$104,684 40</u>
Total resources,	.	.	.	\$28,380 23
Total liabilities,	.	.	.	12,496 78
				<u>\$15,883 45</u>
Balance in favor of Hospital,	.	.	.	\$15,883 45

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.18.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso- maniacs.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897, .	268	254	53	382	87	521	1	0	522
Admitted during year, .	111	102	36	140	37	210	0	3	213
Discharged during year, .	96	76	29	117	26	169	1	2	172
Number September 30, 1898, .	283	280	60	406	98	562	0	1	563

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 40; Deaths, 49; Discharged by transfer, 23; Other removals, 60; Total, 172.

Of the 158 first admissions within the year, 19 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 546.16. The largest number present at any one time was 565, the smallest 515. In addition to the 40 discharged as recovered, 19 were discharged as much improved, and 18 as improved. Of the recoveries, 11 had acute melancholia, and 8 acute mania; 23 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 6 less than three months, 2 less than six months, and 3 less than a year. The whole duration of insanity in 80 per cent. of those who recovered did not exceed one year. Among the deaths 2 were from general paralysis, 8 from senile dementia, and 5 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 38 cases, heredity in 8, senility in 25, and epilepsy in 9.

Of the patients removed during the year, 20 were transferred to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.

Under the Legislative appropriation of 1898, farther repairs and improvements, including a new dispensary, additional fireproof stairways in rotunda, equipment of laboratory, new rooms for assistants, lavatories and bath rooms, etc., are now in progress, and will probably be completed during the coming year.

There are many signs of activity and progress at this Hospital. Lectures have been given twice a week to the nurses, all the nurses being required to attend. For some time instructors in gymnastics, both men and women, have been employed, and it is intended to construct a room in the old chapel building for use as a gymnasium. A larger number of patients than ever before have been engaged in inside and outside work, on some days more than 150 patients being occupied outside the wards. Within the last few months there has been no case of restraint or of seclusion, and few drugs of any kind are given.

THE WORCESTER INSANE ASYLUM.

(Opened, 1877.)

Trustees: Trustees of Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

ERNEST V. SCRIBNER, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$13,808 08
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$17,804 53
Town patients,	55,581 96
Sales,	461 97
Interest,	288 31
Other sources,	128 84
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	74,265 61
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	\$88,370 69 .

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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$23,801 92
Provisions and supplies,	20,844 79
Clothing,	4,399 19
Fuel and lights,	5,481 17
Medicine and medical supplies,	226 66
Furnishings,	1,926 64
Grain and feed for stock,	463 32
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$57,143 69

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$57,143 69
Transportation,		335 35
Ordinary repairs and construction,		6,287 12
Extraordinary repairs and construction,		12,000 00
Other expenses,		3,400 91
		<u>\$79,167 07</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,		8,906 62
		<u>\$88,073 69</u>
Total resources,		\$27,022 33
Total liabilities,		5,634 04
		<u>Balance in favor of Asylum,</u>
		\$21,388 29

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.00.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897,	217	218	107	328	435
Admitted during year,	1	21	5	17	22
Discharged during year,	12	26	5	33	38
Number September 30, 1898,	206	213	107	312	419

Classification of discharges: Deaths, 21; Removals, 17; Total, 38.

The daily average of patients was 428.16. The largest number present at any one time was 436, the smallest, 411. Among the deaths 6 were from phthisis.

Of the patients removed during the year, 4 men and 8 women were transferred to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, but 22 epileptics remain in the Asylum. They are declared to be among the most difficult and dangerous of the inmates to deal with. A good deal of reconstruction work has been accomplished during the year, including the completion of the new water system in the north wards, and improvements in ventilation in the south wards. A large amount of labor in the building and on the grounds has been performed by the patients. The course of instruction to attendants has been continued.

The death rate at the Asylum, which in 1892-93 was 12.97 per cent., since that time has been pretty steadily

reduced, being 9.72 per cent. in 1893-94, 9.99 in 1894-95, 8.19 in 1895-96, 5.93 in 1896-97, and 4.97 in 1897-98.

THE DANVERS LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1878.)

Trustees: Samuel W. Hopkinson, of Bradford, *Chairman*; Solon Bancroft, of Reading, *Secretary*; Zina E. Stone, of Lowell; William B. Sullivan, of Danvers; Orville F. Rogers, M.D., of Boston; Florence Lyman, of Boston; Grace A. Oliver, of Salem.

A. H. HARRINGTON, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$13,031 30
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$25,851 05
Town patients,	99,822 93
Private patients,	29,962 07
Sales,	7,960 37
Interest,	406 04
	<hr/> 164,002 46
	<hr/> \$177,033 76
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CR.	
Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$64,825 58
Provisions and supplies,	47,254 93
Clothing,	6,675 06
Fuel and lights,	10,554 98
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,602 84
Furnishings,	3,612 83
Grain and feed for stock,	1,110 86
Transportation,	3,009 45
Ordinary repairs and construction,	4,941 31
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	7,434 79
All other expenses,	10,031 75
	<hr/> \$161,054 38
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	15,979 38
	<hr/> \$177,033 76
	<hr/> <hr/>
Total resources,	\$56,596 94
Total liabilities,	15,688 33
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Balance in favor of Hospital,	\$40,908 61

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.43.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso- maniacs.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897, . .	353	450	149	547	107	800	3	-	803
Admitted during year, . .	247	204	422	2	27	444	2	5	451
Discharged during year, . .	184	180	163	167	44	356	4	4	364
Number September 30, 1898, .	416	474	211	579	100	888	1	1	890

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 57; Deaths, 107; Discharged by transfer, 90; Other removals, 110; Total, 364.

Of the 342 first admissions during the year, 50 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 871. The largest number present at any one time was 909; the smallest, 796. In addition to the 57 discharged as recovered, 46 were discharged as much improved, and 36 as improved. Of the recoveries, 7 had acute melancholia, and 9 acute mania; 32 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 12 less than three months, 5 less than six months, and 5 less than a year. Among the deaths 25 were from general paralysis, 29 from senile dementia, and 5 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 82 cases, heredity in 47, senility in 43, and epilepsy in 15.

There has been no mechanical restraint employed in this Institution during the past year, and it is now thirty-two months since mechanical restraint has been used in the men's wards, and seventy-three months since it has been used in the women's wards.

The eighth year of the training school for nurses has been completed, and at the last graduation twelve nurses received certificates of having pursued satisfactorily the two years' course. The school has now fifty-five graduates. The new nurses' home, a well arranged and comfortable building, was completed and occupied last June. The congregate dining-room continues a marked feature of this Hospital.

The new ward for women, situated at the extreme end of the Hospital, on the female side, and containing fifteen

rooms, has been completed, and a similar building on the men's side is well under way.

Dr. Worcester, assistant physician and pathologist, has continued his work. Dr. Julia K. Cary, who since 1879 has been a faithful and efficient assistant here, died December 18, 1897. Last August, Dr. Charles W. Page, for ten years Superintendent of the Hospital, resigned to take charge of the Hospital for the Insane at Middletown, Conn., and Dr. Arthur H. Harrington, Superintendent of the State Asylum for Insane Criminals at the State Farm, was appointed to succeed him.

THE WESTBOROUGH INSANE HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1886.)

Trustees: Alden Speare, of Newton, *Chairman*; Emily Talbot, of Boston; George B. Richmond, of New Bedford; Eliza C. Durfee, of Fall River; Benjamin W. Childs, of Worcester; John M. Merriam, of Framingham; Edward H. Haskell, of Newton.

GEORGE S. ADAMS, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$7,368 58
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$22,104 26
Town patients,	55,446 47
Private patients,	30,135 65
Interest,	264 16
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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$49,761 38
Provisions and supplies,	28,147 21
Clothing,	2,112 61
Fuel and lights,	8,458 78
Medicine and medical supplies,	358 90
Furnishings,	3,557 16
Grain and feed for stock,	3,239 14
Transportation,	3,520 77
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$99,155 95

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>					\$99,155 95
Ordinary repairs and construction,					3,583 35
Extraordinary repairs and construction,					341 75
All other expenses,					4,688 56
					<u>\$107,769 61</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,					7,549 51
					<u>\$115,319 12</u>
Total resources,					\$33,382 29
Total liabilities,					10,454 59
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Balance in favor of Hospital,					\$22,927 70

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.65.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso- maniacs.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897, .	212	339	121	332	98	535	13	3	551
Admitted during year, .	126	143	195	23	51	237	24	8	269
Discharged during year, .	106	130	89	91	56	206	25	5	236
Number September 30, 1898, .	232	352	118	374	92	566	12	6	584

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 55; Deaths, 44; Discharged by transfer, 46; Other removals, 91; Total, 236.

Of 173 first admissions during the year, 31 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 563.91. The largest number present at any one time was 586; the smallest, 535. In addition to the 55 discharged as recovered, 47 were discharged as much improved, and 24 as improved. Of the recoveries, 14 had acute melancholia, and 19 acute mania; 18 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 16 less than three months, 5 less than six months, and 1 less than a year. The whole duration of insanity in 73 per cent. of those who recovered did not exceed one year. Among the deaths 13 were from general paralysis, 8 from senile dementia, and 2 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the

year, intemperance is assigned in 37 cases, heredity in 14, senility in 18, and epilepsy in 9.

Of the patients removed during the year, 21 were sent to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.

The new building for acute cases, provided for by a legislative appropriation of \$50,000, has been completed. It is well constructed and arranged, has a thorough and satisfactory system of heating and ventilation, is provided with Turkish and other bathrooms, diet kitchens, sun parlors, etc., and the total cost will be somewhat less than the amount of the appropriation.

Pathological work has continued under the direction of a skilled pathologist. The training school continues to do good work, all male as well as female nurses being now required to enter it. More patients have been employed during the past year than in any previous year, an average of 70 per cent. of men and 50 per cent. of women doing work of various kinds. On the farm an average of 20 men have worked the year round.

THE MEDFIELD INSANE ASYLUM.

(Opened, 1896.)

Trustees: John G. Park, M.D., of Groton, *Chairman*; Elizabeth Thurber, of Plymouth, *Secretary*; Ira G. Hersey, of Hingham; William O. Blaney, of Boston; Edwin V. Mitchell, of Medfield; Benjamin S. Atwood, of Whitman; Florena G. Wellington, of Boston.

EDWARD FRENCH, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$1,484 38
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$29,826 05
Town patients,	109,628 29
Maintenance appropriation,	28,101 71
Other sources,	4,786 33
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	172,342 38
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	\$173,776 76
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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$58,808	07
Provisions and supplies,	39,391	35
Clothing,	5,758	94
Fuel and lights,	13,459	12
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,116	04
Furnishings,	1,283	12
Grain and feed for stock,	2,839	20
Transportation,	1,305	22
Ordinary repairs and construction,	5,572	64
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	4,062	76
All other expenses,	20,825	19
		<u>\$154,421 65</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,		19,355 11
		<u>\$173,776 76</u>
Total resources,	\$57,409	45
Total liabilities,	13,171	44
		<u>\$44,238 01</u>
Balance in favor of Hospital,		\$44,238 01
Average weekly cost per capita, \$2.99.		

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897,	453	508	212	749	961
Admitted during year,	35	110	26	120	145
Discharged during year,	64	41	23	82	105
Number September 30, 1898,	424	577	204	797	1,001

Classification of discharges: Deaths, 83; Removals, 22; Total, 105.

The daily average of patients was 974.59. The largest number present at any one time was 1,014; the smallest, 938. Among the deaths 16 were from general paralysis, 8 from senile dementia, and 8 from phthisis. Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 12 cases, heredity in 3, senility in 10, and epilepsy in 10.

A new and satisfactory water supply for the Institution has at last been secured by laying pipes from Farm Pond in the town of Sherborn, about two miles from the Asylum. This Pond has an area of 127 acres, and is almost entirely surrounded by shores of sand and gravel.

In constructing the Hospital buildings two large associated dining-rooms were provided, to which it was expected nearly all the patients would go for their meals, but, so far, only about one-half of them have been able to go to these dining-rooms, the food for the other half being carried by teams to the various buildings, in some of which temporary dining-rooms have been fitted up at considerable trouble and expense.

The number of patients sick in bed has averaged from 80 to 100. The per capita cost has been reduced during the last year, but still exceeds the rate of payment allowed by law. The last Legislature provided for an appropriation of \$25,000 for current expenses above income, and of this only about \$10,000 has been expended. The Trustees suggest either a continued annual appropriation from the Legislature to meet the annual deficiency, or an increase of the per capita weekly allowance over the sum of \$2.80 now provided, but they add that 200 more patients could be comfortably cared for in the Institution, and this, of course, would materially decrease the per capita cost.

**THE MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR DIPSO MANIACS AND
INEBRIATES, — Foxborough.**

(Opened, 1893.)

Trustees: Edward Cowles, M.D., of Belmont, *Chairman*; Anna Phillips Williams, of Boston; Benjamin H. Hartwell, M.D., of Ayer; Joseph G. Pinkham, M.D., of Lynn; Alfred E. Burton, of Boston.

MARCELLO HUTCHINSON, M.D., Superintendent.

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$3,597 12
Receipts:—	
State patients,	\$12,510 21
Town patients,	14,851 20
Private patients,	2,372 19
Other sources,*	8,181 97
Special appropriation for current expenses,	20,125 02
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	58,040 59
Total,	<hr/>
	\$61,637 71

* Including \$7,801.90 from sale of brooms.

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Salaries, wages, and labor,	\$20,384 73	
Provisions and supplies,	11,078 04	
Clothing,	1,395 46	
Fuel and lights,	2,700 11	
Medicine and medical supplies,	399 78	
Furnishings,	476 03	
Grain and feed for stock,	832 26	
Transportation,	383 67	
Ordinary repairs and construction,	2,014 69	
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	926 91	
All other current expenses,*	18,791 35	
		\$59,383 03
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,		2,254 68
Total,		\$61,637 71
Total resources,		\$10,307 58

Average weekly cost per capita, \$5.63.

Numbers.

	State.	Town.	Private.	Total.
Remaining in hospital October 1, 1897,	98	67	7	172
Admitted during year,	252	55	10	317
Final discharges during year,	60	93	7	160
Leaves of absence during year,	43	133	11	187
Elopements during year,	76	29	4	109
Remaining in hospital September 30, 1898,	97	56	6	159

Of the 288 cases committed during the past year, 243 were first commitments; 40, second commitments; and 5, third commitments. Of the patients committed, one was between 70 and 80 years of age; sixteen were between 60 and 70; fifty-five between 50 and 60; eighty-eight between 40 and 50; forty-nine between 35 and 40; thirty-eight between 30 and 35; thirty between 25 and 30; ten between 20 and 25; and one between 15 and 20. The weekly per capita cost has been gradually reduced from \$11.18 in 1893

* Including \$11,186.36 for materials purchased for the manufacture of brooms.

to \$8.41 in 1894, \$7.00 in 1895, \$6.32 in 1896, \$6.11 in 1897, and \$5.63 for the last official year.

There has been a continued improvement in the character of the persons committed to this Institution during the past year, and the operation of the law of 1897, authorizing the Trustees of the Institution "whenever, in their judgment, a patient has been long enough in the Hospital to enable them to form an opinion as to whether or not the treatment would benefit him to finally discharge such patient" has enabled them to rid themselves of a number of undesirable inmates. In other respects the Hospital continues to be in about the same general condition as heretofore.

MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPTICS, — Monson.

(Opened, 1898)

Trustees: William N. Bullard, M.D., of Boston, *Chairman*; Albert C. Getchell, M.D., of Worcester, *Secretary*; Mabel W. Stedman, of Boston; Burnham R. Benner, M.D., of Lowell; Charles A. Clough, of Boston; William S. Hyde, of Ware; Adelaide A. Calkins, of Springfield.

OWEN COPP, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Receipts: —	
State patients,	\$482 42
Town patients,	1,134 31
Maintenance appropriation,	10,128 93
Other sources,	10,479 56
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	\$22,225 22

CR.

Salaries, wages and labor,	\$5,943 72
Provisions and supplies,	2,156 27
Clothing,	331 66
Fuel and lights,	1,206 44
Medicine and medical supplies,	37 80
Furnishings,	38 56
Transportation,	108 07
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$9,822 52

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$9,822 52	
Ordinary repairs and construction,		59 52	
Extraordinary repairs and construction,		9,126 80	
All other expenses,		1,392 01	
			\$20,400 85
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,			1,824 87
			<u>\$22,225 22</u>
Total resources,		\$36,756 67	
Total liabilities,		2,258 92	
Balance in favor of Hospital,			\$34,497 75
Average weekly cost per capita, \$4.62+.			

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Total.
Admitted during year,	101	105	77	119	10	206
Discharged during year,	5	1	2	2	2	6
Number September 30, 1898,	96	104	58	134	8	200

Classification of discharges: Deaths, 1; Removals, 5; Total, 6.

This Hospital was opened, by proclamation of the governor, May 2, 1898. The first patient was admitted May 16, and between that time and the close of the official year 206 patients, 101 men and 105 women, were received. Of these admissions, 83 men and 81 women were transferred from other institutions; 15 were committed directly by the Courts, — 5 as insane epileptics, and 10 as epileptics only; 17 were received on the approval of a judge; and 10 entered as private voluntary patients.

By an Act of the legislature of 1895, all the lands, buildings, and personal property then belonging to the State Primary School were assigned to the use of this Hospital. In addition \$160,000 was appropriated for the construction of new buildings and the repair of old ones, so as to provide accommodations for 200 epileptics, with the necessary officers and employees. The farm consists of two hundred and thirty acres. Most of the old buildings was removed; the power and laundry building was preserved and renovated,

and some other wooden buildings were enlarged and repaired. Three new buildings of brick with granite trimmings have been erected, the central one being an administration building, and on either side a hospital cottage, one for men and the other for women. The first floor of the main building is occupied by offices, a waiting-room, a library, a dispensary, and a laboratory; and in the two upper stories are the living rooms of the medical staff and other officers. Each cottage contains day-rooms, dormitories, bed-rooms, dining rooms, kitchen, bath, and toilet rooms, and has accommodations for one hundred patients.

The sewage and water systems are very complete and satisfactory. The water is obtained from two sources: the old local supply, which is used for laundry and other purposes; and the new supply from the Monson Water Works, which is used for drinking and cooking.

Ten per cent. of the patients received are young and teachable; and a school of thirty pupils has been organized for instruction in elementary subjects, and preparation for manual training. In the large workroom for men and boys it is proposed to teach shoemaking, tailoring, painting, carpentry, and other work. Twenty-four of the more demented men have been employed in grading and road-building, and others on the farm, in the laundry, in and about the kitchens, making 53 per cent. working outside the wards; and 15 have assisted on the wards. Thirty-four per cent. of the whole number are helpless, feeble, and crippled. Of the women 38 per cent. have been employed in the cottage, the administration building, the kitchens, laundry, and sewing rooms; 17 have helped in the wards; and 36 per cent. are helpless, crippled, and feeble.

The Trustees already see the need of a further classification of the patients, and recommend the erection of a building for the care and reception of sane female epileptics.

THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED, —
Waltham.

Trustees appointed by the Governor: Elizabeth E. Coolidge, of Boston; John S. Damrell, of Boston; Frank G. Wheatly, M.D., of Abington; William W. Swan, of Brook-

line, *Secretary*; Erskine Warden, of Waltham; Francis Barnes, M.D., of Cambridge.

Trustees appointed by the Corporation: Eliot C. Clarke, of Boston; John Cummings, of Woburn; Samuel Hoar, of Concord; Chas. F. Wyman, of Cambridge; George G. Tarbell, M.D., of Boston.

WALTER E. FERNALD, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.

Receipts:—

State appropriation,	\$30,000 00
State, for board of custodial cases,	11,206 45
Towns, for board of custodial cases,	32,572 07
Private pupils,	13,197 99
Special appropriation for new buildings,	21,540 86
Other sources,	23,497 01
	<u>\$132,014 38</u>

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Salaries and wages,	\$35,739 28
Provisions and supplies,	21,483 80
Clothing,	4,514 56
Fuel and lights,	6,782 66
Medicine and medical supplies,	1,904 05
Furnishings,	2,957 86
Grain and feed for stock,	1,377 51
Transportation,	238 51
Ordinary repairs and construction,	11,547 96
Construction of new buildings,	26,815 49
Other expenses,	16,631 98
	<u>\$129,993 66</u>
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	2,020 72
	<u>\$132,014 38</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$3.24.

Present value of permanent fund, \$62,206.91.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	Total.	School.	Custodial.	Total.
Number October 1, 1897,	313	191	504	250	254	504
Admitted during year,	82	66	148	92	56	148
Discharged during year,	44	10	54	29	25	54
Number September 30, 1898,	351	247	598	302	296	598

During the year there have been 26 transfers from the school to the custodial department, and 15 transfers from the custodial to the school department.

The second of the new buildings authorized by the Legislature of 1896 was completed March 17, 1898, and is now occupied by adult females of feeble mind, especially those who assist in the work of the Institution.

The 598 inmates at the close of the year were distributed as follows:—At the boys' dormitory, 150 improvable boys between six and eighteen years of age;—these all attend school and training classes and are kept busy from morning till night. At the northwest building, 111 grown men of the excitable class, many of them stupid and untidy, others excitable and destructive. At the farmhouse, 29 men from twenty to thirty years of age, who work upon the farm. At the west building, 61 boys under the age of twelve, and 93 females of various ages;—all of these are of limited intelligence, many of them are untidy in their habits, some are partially paralyzed or otherwise helpless, and many need hospital care. At the northwest building, 81 adult females of a higher grade;—nearly all of these are regularly employed in the laundry, sewing-room, or in other ways; many of them are school graduates, and can read and write. At the girls' dormitory, 73 brighter girls of school age.

There are now 109 pupils in the school classes proper, and in the kindergarten and practical training classes there are 176 pupils. Excepting a few helpless and idiotic children, every boy and girl in the School under nineteen years of age is in one or all of the classes for training or drill.

THE HOSPITAL COTTAGES FOR CHILDREN,—Baldwinville.

(Opened, 1882.)

Trustees appointed by the Governor: Lizzie R. Doherty, of Boston; Merrick Bemis, M.D., of Worcester; David H. Coolidge, of Boston; Arthur H. Lowe, of Fitchburg; Charles H. Allen, of Boston.

Trustees appointed by the Corporation: Frederick W. Russell, M.D., of Winchendon; Herbert M. Small, of Bald-

winville; Francis Leland, of Otter River; Gilman Waite, of Baldwinville; Sarah B. Dewey, of Worcester; Amelia F. Rawson, of Worcester; Lucy W. M. Gilmore, of Lexington; John D. Carson, of Dalton; William Skinner, of Holyoke; Sarah R. Greeley, of Clinton; Sarah E. Whitin, of Whitinsville; Edith P. Greene, of Clinton; Homer Gage, M.D., of Worcester; Robert N. Wallace, of Fitchburg; George E. Bryant, of Baldwinville; James S. Lemon, of Gardner.

EVERETT FLOOD, M.D., *Superintendent.*

Receipts and Expenses.

DR.	
Cash on hand October 1, 1897,	\$46 01
Receipts:—	
Board of patients,	\$20,023 45
Donations,	16,767 85
Other sources,	2,135 93
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	<u>\$38,973 24</u>
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Salaries and wages,	\$10,985 26
Provisions and supplies,	6,113 12
Clothing,	372 37
Fuel and lights,	2,358 84
Medicine and medical supplies,	465 20
Furnishings,	475 28
Grain and feed for stock,	1,390 09
Transfer to permanent fund,	12,600 00
Ordinary repairs and construction,	1,088 18
Other expenses,	2,469 71
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	\$38,818 05
Cash on hand September 30, 1898,	155 19
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	<u>\$38,973 24</u>

Average weekly cost per capita, \$4.19.

Present value of permanent fund, \$44,012.86.

The classes of patients cared for at this Institution are children suffering from epileptic seizures and other nervous disorders, children with certain deformities and other bodily

afflictions, and a few adults. The number of inmates September 30, 1898, was 116, — 5 less than a year ago, and 11 more than two years ago. The largest number on any one day was 130; the smallest, 113; and the average number, 122. The number of State cases has increased from 12 to 19.

THE MCLEAN HOSPITAL, — Waverley.

(Opened, 1818.)

EDWARD COWLES, M.D., *Superintendent*.

This is a branch of the Massachusetts General Hospital, a corporate institution. At the beginning of the official year it contained 155 inmates, — 76 men and 79 women; admitted during the year, 144, — 69 men and 75 women; discharged, 131, — 69 men and 62 women; remaining September 30, 1898, 168, — 76 men and 92 women. The average number present during the year was 152.8. Of those discharged, 31 were discharged as recovered. Of the 168 remaining at the close of the year, 164 were supported wholly or in part by individuals, and 4 by the Hospital. There were 15 deaths during the year.

THE BOSTON INSANE HOSPITAL.

(Opened, 1839.)

This is a municipal institution, but, like all receptacles for the insane in the Commonwealth, is subject to visitation and inspection by the State Board. It is under the direction of a Board of Trustees, known as the Insane Hospital Trustees. The Hospital has two departments, — one at Austin Farm, Edward B. Lane, M.D., Superintendent, and the other at Pierce Farm, William Noyes, M.D., Superintendent. At the beginning of the official year there were in the two departments 507 inmates, — 246 men and 261 women; admitted during the year, 310, — 149 men and 161 women; discharged, 250, — 72 men and 178 women; remaining September 30, 1898, 567, — 323 men and 244 women. The average number present during the year was 516. Of the 250 patients discharged, 44 were discharged as recovered. There were 63 deaths.

The buildings are ill-arranged for the purpose for which they were intended, and the old wooden building is wholly unfit for use.

THE PRIVATE INSANE ASYLUMS.

The private asylums in operation at the end of the official year were as follows : —

1. "Woodbourne," Roslindale. Henry R. Stedman, M.D., *Superintendent*.
2. "The Highlands," Winchendon. Frederick W. Russell, M.D., *Superintendent*.
3. Private Asylum, Brookline. Walter Channing, M.D., *Superintendent*.
4. Private Asylum, Norwood. Eben C. Norton, M.D., *Superintendent*.
5. "Riverview," Baldwinville. Lucius W. Baker, M.D., *Superintendent*.
6. "Herbert Hall," Worcester. Merrick Bemis, M.D., *Superintendent*.
7. "Newton Nervine," West Newton. N. Emmons Paine, M.D., *Superintendent*.
8. "Attleborough Home Sanitarium," Attleborough. Laura V. G. Mackie, M.D., *Superintendent*.
9. "Locust Grove Asylum," Sandwich. Alice R. Cooke, *Superintendent*; Geo. E. White, M.D., *Medical Director*.
10. "Cutter Retreat," Pepperell. William F. Heald, M.D., *Superintendent*.
11. "Dr. Ring's Sanatorium," Arlington Heights. Allan Mott Ring, M.D., *Superintendent*.
12. "Framingham Nervine," Framingham. Ellen L. Keith, M.D., *Superintendent*.
13. "Laurelwood," Newton. Eugene W. Hill, M.D., *Superintendent*.
14. "Wellesley Nervine," Wellesley. Edward H. Wiswall, M.D., *Superintendent*.

Dr. Stedman.

	SANE.		INSANE.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number October 1, 1897,	1	1	2	8	12
Admitted during year,	1	4	3	2	10
Discharged during year,	2	2	3	5	12
Number September 30, 1898, . . .	-	3	2	5	10

Dr. Russell.

Number October 1, 1897,	1	-	5	6	12
Admitted during year,	9	1	11	1	22
Discharged during year,	7	1	9	4	21
Number September 30, 1898, . . .	8	-	7	3	13

Dr. Channing.

Number October 1, 1897,	1	9	1	11	22
Admitted during year,	-	12	-	2	14
Discharged during year,	-	9	1	8	18
Number September 30, 1898, . . .	1	12	-	10	23

Dr. Norton.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	-	1	4	5
Admitted during year,	1	2	1	1	5
Discharged during year,	-	2	1	1	4
Number September 30, 1898, . . .	1	-	1	4	6

Dr. Baker.

Number October 1, 1897,	2	8	1	3	14
Admitted during year,	-	12	-	1	13
Discharged during year,	1	14	-	-	15
Number September 30, 1898, . . .	1	6	1	4	12

Dr. Bemis.

	SANE.		INSANE.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number October 1, 1897,	-	-	-	11	11
Admitted during year,	-	-	-	10	10
Discharged during year,	-	-	-	8	8
Number September 30, 1898,	-	-	-	13	13

Dr. Paine.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	1	5	4	10
Admitted during year,	2	5	6	19	32
Discharged during year,	2	6	9	11	28
Number September 30, 1898,	-	-	2	12	14

Dr. Mackie.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	8	-	-	8
Admitted during year,	-	22	-	-	22
Discharged during year,	-	20	-	-	20
Number September 30, 1898,	-	5	-	-	5

Miss Cooke.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	-	-	2	2
Admitted during year,	-	1	-	1	2
Discharged during year,	-	1	-	-	1
Number September 30, 1898,	-	-	-	3	3

Dr. Heald.

Number October 1, 1897,	2	2	-	1	5
Admitted during year,	6	1	-	-	7
Discharged during year,	3	1	-	-	4
Number September 30, 1898,	5	2	-	1	8

Dr. Ring.

	SANE.		INSANE.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number October 1, 1897,	4	7	-	-	11
Admitted during year,	12	43	-	-	55
Discharged during year,	15	43	-	-	58
Number September 30, 1898,	1	7	-	-	8

Dr. Keith.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	3	-	5	8
Admitted during year,	-	24	-	-	24
Discharged during year,	-	18	-	2	20
Number September 30, 1898,	-	9	-	3	12

Dr. Hill.

Number October 1, 1897,	2	5	1	1	9
Admitted during year,	2	13	-	1	16
Discharged during year,	2	13	-	2	17
Number September 30, 1898,	2	5	1	-	8

Dr. Wiswall.

Number October 1, 1897,	-	-	-	-	-
Admitted during year,	5	10	-	4	19
Discharged during year,	4	7	-	2	13
Number September 30, 1898,	1	3	-	2	6

Total Private Asylums.

Number October 1, 1897,	13	39	16	56	124
Admitted during year,	38	150	21	42	251
Discharged during year,	36	137	23	38	234
Number September 30, 1898,	15	52	14	60	141

THE BOARDED-OUT INSANE.

Statistics from October 1, 1897, to September 30, 1898.

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Boarded in families September 30, 1897,	23	98	121
Placed out from Sept. 30, 1897, to Sept. 30, 1898,	3	7	10
Whole number of cases during the year,	26	105	131
Cases returned to institutions,	5	7	12
Cases discharged to friends,	1	2	3
Cases died,	—	4	4
Whole number of discharges,	6	13	19
Remaining September 30, 1898,	20	92	112
State patients,	6	22	28
Town patients,	7	59	66
Private patients,	6	9	15
Self-supporting patients,	1	2	3

Average number during the year,	115.86
Average number during the year supported at public expense,	96.80
Total cost of board for pauper patients,	\$16,009.38
Total cost of clothing,	33.83
Total cost of supervision (including salaries),	1,571.57
Weekly cost of pauper patients (including supervision),	3.49

	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	1908.
At board September 30,	5	34	73	80	110	148	155	175	164	158	142	129	121	112
Average number,	—	21	60	113	94	126	142	168	168	158	147	134	126	116

The patients are distributed in towns, as follows : —

Ashfield, 1; Athol, 3; Auburn, 1; Boston, 4; Chelsea, 1; Cumming-
ton, 2; Danvers, 1; Dover, 2; East Bridgewater, 2; Easthampton, 2;
Easton, 3; Foxborough, 1; Goshen, 4; Hawley, 1; Mansfield, 1; Med-
ford, 1; Monson, 1; Newton, 2; Northborough, 4; North Brookfield, 9;
Norton, 6; Norwood, 1; Plainfield, 2; Salem, 1; Shrewsbury, 1; South-
borough, 1; Southwick, 1; Springfield, 1; Sutton, 1; Taunton, 4;
Tewksbury, 21; Tyngsborough, 2; Walpole, 10; Westborough, 1;
Williamsburg, 9.

There are also four patients outside the State, viz. :

Kensington, N. H., 1; Dexter, N. H., 1; Providence, R. I., 1; East
Greenwich, R. I., 1.

The 112 patients remaining September 30, 1898, were in 71 families. Four families had four patients each; seven families, 3; fifteen families, 2; and forty-five families, one patient each. In the last class 3 patients were self-supporting, and 11 were with friends.

THE CITY AND TOWN ALMSHOUSES.

Almshouses are maintained by 211 cities and towns of the Commonwealth. In 142 cities and towns there are no alms-houses, their dependents being either placed in private families, boarded in alms-houses of other towns, or cared for in institutions.

Few changes have been made in the condition of the alms-houses since the last Report, but these all appear to be in the line of improvement. While, in looking back over a series of years, evidence of considerable progress may be found in the condition of most of the alms-houses, there can be no question that much remains to be done to make them all that they should be.

Here follow abstracts of almshouse visitation made by the visiting officers of the Department of Inspector of Institutions.

ACTON.

(Visited June 10, 1898.)

There have been no changes at this almshouse since the last report. The house is clean and well managed, but there is urgent need of better bathing arrangements. The farm is quite productive, and vegetables, milk, etc., to the amount of \$1,300, were sold last year.

There are three inmates, one of whom is insane and one idiotic. The house provides for no separation of the sexes. The warden and matron together receive a salary of \$325.

ACUSHNET.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

This town no longer maintains an almshouse, but boards its dependents in private families.

ADAMS.

(Visited July 22, 1898.)

This almshouse was undergoing quite extensive repairs at time of the inspection, the town having appropriated \$3,000 for the

purpose. An addition for the use of the warden and his family, as well as more commodious and satisfactory accommodations for the inmates, will be provided. The objectionable arrangement whereby the warden received \$2.50 per week for the support of each inmate has been done away with, and a salary of \$750 is now paid the warden and matron.

There are eleven inmates, one of whom is epileptic and two are children. There is complete separation of the sexes at night.

AGAWAM.

(Visited July 19, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse is good, but the house is still in need of the improvements suggested in last year's report, — namely, better provision for the separation of the sexes, and a bath-room. The kitchen drainage is defective, but might be remedied at small cost. The old wooden bedsteads should be replaced by iron ones, in order to insure cleanliness. The farm is small, providing only sufficient vegetables for the use of the house.

There are six inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$275.

AMESBURY.

(Visited April 27, 1898.)

As reported last year, this house is defective in structure, but under good management. It is proposed to add a bath-room, — a much needed improvement. The heating arrangements are still inadequate, though somewhat improved since last year. The sexes are separated at night.

There are twelve inmates, three of whom are insane and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

AMHERST.

(Visited August 22, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in better condition than last year. A bath-room, and provision for the separation of the sexes, are still needed. The management is good, and the inmates are kindly treated. The farm contains 150 acres, about one-third of which is tilled.

There are three inmates, one of whom is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

ANDOVER.

(Visited February 18, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse continues excellent. There is complete separation of the sexes except at meals. The farm contains 75 acres, 30 of which are under cultivation.

There are twenty-five inmates, six of whom are insane and five idiotic, and two are children. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$700.

ARLINGTON.

(Visited September 7, 1898.)

This almshouse is under good management and in good repair. A hospital room and another bath-room are still needed. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, one of whom is feeble-minded. The matron receives a salary of \$360.

ASHBY.

(Visited June 13, 1898.)

This almshouse is old, in poor repair, and lacking in modern conveniences. Painting and papering are needed, and the old wooden bedsteads should be replaced by iron ones. There is no provision for separation of the sexes. A large part of the products of the farm is used for the inmates, about fifty of the one hundred and seventy-five acres being tilled. The income from the farm last year was \$1,016.

There are seven inmates, of whom two are insane and two idiotic. The warden and matron receive \$400 per year.

ASHBURNHAM.

(Visited August 29, 1898.)

The management here is good, but the heating and bathing arrangements are poor. The cellar is damp, and needs draining. There is complete separation of the sexes at night, but none by day. About fifty of the two hundred acres are cultivated.

There are twelve inmates, three of whom are idiotic, and three are children. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

ASHFIELD.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

Excellent management is found at this almshouse. Praise is due the matron for the satisfactory condition of the bed and person

of one helpless inmate. Separation of the sexes is observed at night, but not by day. A bath-room is needed.

There are three inmates, one of whom is idiotic and epileptic, and one demented. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$300.

ASHLAND.

(Visited April 22, 1898.)

This almshouse was not found in as clean a condition as desirable. Better bathing and heating facilities are needed. There is separation of the sexes at night, but none by day. About forty-five acres of the one hundred twenty are under cultivation, and the income from the farm last year was \$2,105.

There are six inmates, of whom one is insane and two are idiotic. The warden and matron receive \$500 for their services.

ATHOL.

(Visited August 22, 1898.)

This almshouse, under new management, was found neat and clean, but it is poorly arranged and furnished. There is complete separation of the sexes at night, but none at meals or by day. The farm contains seventy-five acres, about twenty-five of which are tilled.

There are ten inmates, three of whom are insane and one is idiotic and epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$350.

ATTLEBOROUGH.

(Visited April 18, 1898.)

Although well managed, this almshouse is not a credit to the town. It is old, and not suited for its present use, and it has neither proper bathing facilities nor suitable heating apparatus. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, three of whom are idiotic and two are children. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

AYER.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly throughout. Since the last report a bath-tub has been placed in the house. Flush water-closets in place of the old privy vaults would be a great improvement. Better heating arrangements are needed. The structural arrangement provides for complete separation of the

sexes at night. About twenty of the sixty acres are tilled, the income from the farm last year having been \$600.

There are at present five male inmates, one of whom is insane, and three are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$650.

BARNSTABLE.

(Visited September 20, 1898.)

This almshouse, as usual, was found neat and clean, and under satisfactory management. The practice of lodging tramps in the house still exists, and should be abandoned. There is urgent need of at least one bath-room in a house where fifteen people live. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, but none at meals or by day.

Three of the inmates are insane and three are idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

BARRE.

(Visited June 4, 1898.)

Although the management of this almshouse is good, the condition of the sewerage and the water-closets is to be condemned. New and more suitably placed closets should be built, and the cellar should be drained. A better arrangement should be made for the care of the insane inmates. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, of whom one is insane and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

The town boards one of its insane poor in a private family, where she receives good care. The sum of \$2 per week is paid for her board.

BECKET.

(Visited July 23, 1898.)

Three dependents of this town, a mother and two daughters, are supported in a private family, at a cost of \$110 per year for all. Arrangements have been made with the Overseers of the Poor for a different and better disposition of these cases, which are all feeble-minded.

BEDFORD.

(Visited February 9, 1898.)

This almshouse is under the same efficient management as last year, and was found in a neat and clean condition. Better heating facilities, a bath-room, and some repairs are much needed. Of the one hundred and eighteen acres of land about twenty-five are

under cultivation, the income from the farm last year having been \$1,800. There is no separation of the sexes, or of the sane from the insane.

There are eight inmates, of whom four are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

BELCHERTOWN.

(Visited June 3, 1898.)

With the exception of its poor heating and bathing facilities, this house was found in a satisfactory condition. A new creamery has been built, and some minor but important repairs have been made. A building for tramps has also been erected, detached from the main house. The management is good and the house is clean. There is no provision for separation of the sexes, or of the sane from the insane. About one-third of the one hundred and seventy acres is under cultivation. There are seven inmates, of whom two are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

BELLINGHAM.

(Visited September 1, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse continues good, but the building is poorly arranged and equipped. The bath-tub should be supplied with hot and cold water, and the house should not be heated by stoves. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, but none by day.

There are nine inmates, three of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive \$500 for their services.

BERKLEY.

(Visited February 15, 1898.)

No inmates were found at this almshouse, although it is kept open. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$200.

BERLIN.

(Visited July 8, 1896.)

This town, having no almshouse, supports three of its demented poor in private families, where they receive good care.

BEVERLY.

(Visited March 2, 1898.)

This almshouse is poorly arranged, and the rooms are small and not as attractive as they could be made by a generous use of paint

and whitewash. The management is good, but more hired help should be employed in-doors. There is complete separation of the sexes.

As twenty-two of the thirty inmates are mentally defective, they need more careful supervision than they now receive, and provision should be made for their separation from the sane inmates. The warden receives \$500 for his services.

BILLERICA.

(Visited June 6, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and well managed, but lacking in proper heating and bathing facilities. There is suitable separation of the sexes by night, but not by day. The farm contains one hundred acres, fifty of which are cultivated, the income from the farm last year being \$2,624.

There are eight inmates, two of whom are insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$504.

BLACKSTONE.

(Visited May 18, 1898.)

This almshouse is in the same condition as before reported, fairly well managed and in fair repair, but lacking in provision for proper separation of the sexes, and of the sane from the insane. With the exception of the cellar drainage, no repairs of note have been made. Ninety-five of the one hundred and ninety-six acres of land are under cultivation, the products from which yielded \$823 last year.

There are nineteen inmates, two of whom are insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

BOLTON.

(Visited July 8, 1898.)

There have been no repairs of note at this almshouse for some years, and the place is unfit for its present use. Better heating and bathing facilities should be supplied. The rooms are poorly furnished and cheerless, but the management is as good as can be expected, and the house clean and neat. The drainage is in a bad condition, and may cause trouble unless it receives attention. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, of whom one is insane, and three are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

BOSTON.

Long Island.

(Visited October 29, 1898.)

This large department of the city's poor was found in excellent condition, and under the same good management as last year. The improvement noted at that time has been continued with most gratifying results, and many changes have been made and reforms instituted, which have greatly increased the usefulness of the institution. Much remains to be done, however, and a large amount of work has been mapped out. During the year many insane persons have been removed and committed to the different hospitals in the State, leaving but a few cases of mild dementia, which require no special care and treatment.

There are six hundred and eighty-four inmates; three hundred and twenty-five males and three hundred and fifty-nine females. Of this number twelve are infants,—six males and six females. Since February 1, six hundred and eighty-seven persons have been admitted, and eight hundred and sixty-one discharged.

Marcella St. Home.

(Visited April 8, 1898.)

This institution was found under the same management, and in splendid working order. The public school system has proved to be most satisfactory. At the time of the visit there were one hundred and thirty-seven children here. Children over ten years of age are boarded in private families.

Charlestown.

(Visited April 8, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same management, and in a very satisfactory condition. No changes in structure have been made, though some may be necessary in the near future. There are one hundred and twenty-five inmates, all apparently receiving the best of care.

BOXFORD.

(Visited September 8, 1898.)

This place is under the same inefficient management reported last year, being dirty and disorderly throughout. A bath-room, supplied with hot and cold water, and a flush water-closet have been added since the last report. The use of paint and whitewash,

and good housekeeping would make this almshouse an attractive place. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes.

There is but one inmate, an epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

BOYLSTON.

(Visited May 24, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under good management. Since the previous visit the interior of the house has been renovated by the use of paint and whitewash, and is now clean and attractive. It is hoped that the need of a bath-room and better bathing facilities will be realized in the near future, and the necessary changes made as soon as possible. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, two of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

BRAINTREE.

(Visited April 7, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse remains the same, and no changes are reported. The practice of lodging tramps in the main house still exists, and should be tolerated no longer. There is complete separation of the sexes by day and by night, but none at meals. There is no separation of the insane from the sane.

There are eleven inmates, one of whom is insane, and three are idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$480.

BREWSTER.

(Visited August 3, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. Better heating and bathing facilities are still greatly needed. There is partial separation of the sexes at night, but none by day; there is no separation of the insane from the sane.

There are twelve inmates, of whom one is insane and five are idiotic. The matron receives a salary of \$300.

BRIDGEWATER.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

The almshouse here, although old, remains under good management, and is neat and clean. Some minor repairs have been made, but many more are needed. Two new water-closets should take

the place of the present one, which is in bad condition. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are twelve inmates, three of whom are insane, and one is epileptic and idiotic. The warden and matron receive \$300 a year for their services.

BRIMFIELD.

(Visited June 2 and July 9, 1898.)

New and improved management was found at this almshouse. Inside, the house is badly out of repair, poorly furnished, and cheerless. There are no bathing facilities, and no means for the separation of the sexes or of the insane from the sane.

There are seven inmates, two of whom are insane; one of the latter, a blind and demented man, is to be committed to a hospital for the insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

BROCKTON.

(Visited June 2, 1898.)

As reported in previous years, the management of this almshouse is most excellent, everything about the place bearing evidence to the fact. The farm is well managed, yielding a satisfactory income.

There are thirty-one inmates, twelve of whom are insane, five idiotic, and one is epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$1,500.

BROOKFIELD.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

The almshouse remains under the same management. It is neat and clean, and the inmates apparently receive good care. There is no separation of the sexes, or of the insane from the sane. The farm of two hundred and ninety-seven acres is partially cultivated, and yielded an income of \$1,383 during the past year.

There are eight inmates, of whom one is insane, and one idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

BROOKLINE.

(Visited July 8, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse and of the farm is excellent. The house is in good repair and was found neat and clean, and the inmates receive kind treatment.

There are eight inmates; no insane are received. The matron receives a salary of \$500.

BUCKLAND.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

A new almshouse is greatly needed in this town, as the present one is hardly worth repairing. The management is fairly good. The separation of the sexes at night is insecure, and there is no separation during the day.

There are eight inmates, of whom four are insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$420.

BURLINGTON.

(Visited September 5, 1898.)

This almshouse is under fairly good management. It needs painting on the exterior, and repairs and improvements inside. Both the heating and bathing facilities are inadequate.

There are four inmates, one of whom is feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

CAMBRIDGE.

(Visited March 25, 1898.)

As usual, this almshouse was found under good management. There have been no changes during the year. A larger house, built in accordance with modern plans, is needed. There is complete separation of the sexes, and partial separation of the sane from the insane.

The inmates number one hundred and fourteen, twenty-six of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$1,500.

CANTON.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

Excellent management prevails at this almshouse, both within the house and on the farm. There is partial separation of the sexes by day, and complete separation by night and at meals, but there is no special provision for the insane.

There are fifteen inmates, two of whom are insane and two idiotic. The warden and matron receive \$500 for their services.

CARVER.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

This almshouse has been opened for the first time in eleven years. It was found under the excellent management of a matron. The building has been renovated within, and presents a pleasing and homelike appearance. The drainage needs attention, and a

pump connected with the well should be placed in the house. There is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, two of whom are insane. The matron receives \$5 per week for her services.

CHARLEMONT.

(Visited September 15, 1898.)

This town supports one of its dependents, an insane woman, in a private family; \$2 per week is paid for her board.

CHARLTON.

(Visited June 8, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly within. There is partial separation of the sexes at night and during the day, but none at meals.

There are eight inmates, two of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden receives \$350 for his services.

CHATHAM.

(Visited August 3, 1898.)

This almshouse is well managed, and clean. There is lack of provision for separating the sexes, and also of a bath-room and proper heating facilities. No repairs have been made for some years.

There are seven inmates, of whom two are feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$150.

CHELMSFORD.

(Visited June 6, 1898.)

At this almshouse two well-equipped bath-rooms and water-closets have been added since the last report, and the house has been well renovated by the use of paint, paper, and whitewash. A windmill is to be erected soon, which will furnish water for the house. The management is good, but there is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates, four of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$350.

CHESHIRE.

(Visited July 19, 1898.)

This town supports two of its insane dependents in private families, at a cost of \$10 per month for each. Although one of these houses was dirty, the patient living there reported herself as satisfied.

CHESTERFIELD.

(Visited August 23, 1898.)

This town supports one of its idiotic dependents in a private family, at a cost of \$1.25 per week, where he apparently receives good care.

CHICOPEE.

(Visited March 15, 1898.)

During the year the sum of \$1,500 has been expended for repairs at this almshouse, and much has been done to improve its condition. A new wing, which will provide suitable separation of the sexes, and relieve the over-crowded condition of the house, is greatly needed. The housekeeping should be improved, and sufficient means should be taken to exterminate the vermin, which abound. Only one of the two bath-rooms is in use.

There are fifty-one inmates, six of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$650.

CLINTON.

(Visited February 24, 1898.)

This almshouse is fairly well managed, but it was not found as clean as it should have been. No changes have been made since the last report, except in management. There is complete separation of the sexes by day and by night, although there is none at meals. A small part of the farm is under cultivation.

There are twenty inmates, only one of whom is mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$700.

COHASSET.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

No changes are reported at this almshouse, and it is totally unfit for its present use. Owing to structural defects, separation of the sexes, and of the sane from the insane, cannot be secured. The place is well managed, and the inmates receive good care.

There are eight inmates, two of whom are insane and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

CONCORD.

(Visited August 18, 1898.)

Good management and a general satisfactory condition of affairs were again found at this almshouse. The one objectionable feature

here is the lodging of tramps in the house, a practice that should be discontinued.

There are six inmates, all sane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$480.

CONWAY.

(Visited August 26, 1898.)

No repairs of note have been made at this almshouse, although a few are about to be made. A bath-room supplied with hot and cold water, and a safer method of heating the house, are greatly needed. The practice of lodging tramps in the bed-chambers should not be allowed. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, of whom one is insane and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

CUMMINGTON.

(Visited May 27, 1898.)

This town supports a feeble-minded dependent in a family, where she is kindly treated. The sum of \$2 per week is paid for her board.

Another dependent, a weak-minded man, was seen August 23, 1898, in Worthington, where he is boarded. He also receives satisfactory care.

DALTON.

(Visited July 18, 1898.)

This town supports two feeble-minded dependents in the families of relatives; in each case they receive satisfactory care. The whole family to which one of these cases belongs comes upon the town for support. The other case is boarded at a cost of \$10 per month.

DANA.

(Visited August 23, 1898.)

As reported last year, this house needs many improvements to make it a satisfactory almshouse. No changes have been made during the year. The house is scantily furnished, but was found in a clean and neat condition.

There is but one inmate, an insane woman, who has good care. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$200.

DANVERS.

(Visited October 10, 1898.)

Four of the idiotic and insane dependents of this town are boarded in private families, where they receive satisfactory care, at an average cost of \$10 per month.

DARTMOUTH.

(Visited September 13, 1898.)

As reported last year, this almshouse was found neat and clean, and under proper management. No changes have been made. The greatest need now is a properly equipped bath-room. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates, one of whom is idiotic. The farm of eighty acres is partially cultivated. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

DEDHAM.

(Visited March 11, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in excellent condition, and under most efficient management. It is quite probable that the almshouse will be sold in the near future, as it is in a part of old Dedham now known as the town of Westwood. In this case it is probable that Dedham will build a new almshouse within the town limits. Complete separation of the sexes was found.

There are eleven inmates, three of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

DEERFIELD.

(Visited August 25, 1898.)

As reported last year, the cellar at this almshouse has poor ventilation and bad drainage. That this condition should have been allowed to remain is most discreditable. No changes of any kind have been made during the year, though many are needed. A bath-room and a furnace are among the much needed improvements.

There are but two inmates, both insane women. The warden receives a salary of \$275.

DENNIS.

(Visited August 3, 1898.)

The condition of this almshouse is the same as reported last year, and it remains under good management. The town authorities should not allow tramps to lodge in the house. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes either by day or by night.

There are six inmates, two of whom are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

DIGHTON.

(Visited February 15, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. The house needs better heating apparatus and a bath-room. Though there are but three inmates, separation of the sexes cannot be secured. The farm is small, and but little income is realized from it. The warden receives a salary of \$275.

DOUGLAS.

(Visited June 9, 1898.)

Though this almshouse was found neat and clean, it is not well equipped for its use. It needs better heating and bathing facilities. No provision is afforded for separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates, two of whom are idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$300.

The town supports one of its dependents with his mother, at a cost of \$3 per week. He has every necessary attention.

DRACUT.

(Visited March 9, 1898.)

The appearance of this almshouse has been improved, both outside and inside, by the use of paint and whitewash. The management is satisfactory, and the inmates have the appearance of being kindly treated. No provision for separation of the sexes is made.

There are at present but three inmates, one of whom is an insane woman. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

DUDLEY.

(Visited June 9, 1898.)

This almshouse was cleaner and more orderly than at the time of the previous inspection, though still better management is desirable. No changes of note were found. There is no provision for separating the sexes, or the sane from the insane.

There are six inmates, three of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

DUXBURY.

(Visited September 28, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse is fairly satisfactory, but it is very poorly arranged. The house was built only two years ago, yet it provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$300.

EAST BRIDGEWATER.

(Visited January 24, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in good condition, and under good management. About twenty-five of the one hundred and thirty acres of land are under cultivation, and yielded a small income last year. The sexes are completely separated, both by day and by night.

There are nine inmates, two being insane and three idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$425.

EASTHAM.

(Visited August 4, 1898.)

Two of the dependents of this town are boarded in private families. One is a feeble-minded woman, who is boarded at a cost of \$2 per week; the other is insane, and the sum of \$4 per week in winter and \$3 in summer is paid for her board.

EASTHAMPTON.

(Visited August 29, 1898.)

As usual, this almshouse was found in a clean and orderly condition. Little repairing has been done upon the house, but the barns have been greatly altered and improved. About one-half of the fifty-eight acres of the farm are under cultivation. There is partial separation of the sexes by night, but none by day.

There are thirteen inmates, seven of whom are insane. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

The town supports one of its insane dependents with her sister, who receives \$1 per week for her support.

EASTON.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same management as when last visited, and was in a satisfactory condition. No repairs have been made during the year. There is no separation of the sexes, and none of the sane from the insane. The farm is well managed, about fifty of the one hundred and fifty acres being tilled. The income from the farm last year was \$2,400.

There are ten inmates, six being insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

ENFIELD.

(Visited June 30, 1898.)

This town supports one of its feeble-minded dependents in a private family in South Leverett, where she has a good home, at a cost of \$2 per week.

ERVING.

(Visited June 29, 1898.)

One insane woman, a dependent of this town, is supported in a private family in Montague, at a cost of \$2 per week.

ESSEX.

(Visited June 22, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same good management as in former years, but little else can be said in praise of it. As has been stated in previous reports, a new house is greatly needed. There is partial separation of the sexes by day and by night.

There are eight inmates, seven of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

FAIRHAVEN.

(Visited September 13, 1898.)

This almshouse presents a pleasing appearance on the outside, and cleanliness and order prevail inside. The house is comfortably warmed, provides for the separation of the sexes, and has excellent bathing facilities. The farm of fifteen acres yielded an income of \$275 last year.

There are five inmates, two of whom are insane and one is idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

FALL RIVER.

(Visited March 4, 1898.)

As usual this place was found in a satisfactory condition, being clean and orderly, and well managed. The sexes are completely separated, but there is no separation of the sane from the insane.

At present there are one hundred and twenty inmates, sixteen of whom are reported to be idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$650 and the matron \$350.

FALMOUTH.

(Visited October 3, 1898.)

The same excellent management was again found at this almshouse, but the warden and matron are soon to resign. Owing to

the unwise economy of the Overseers of the Poor, bath-room facilities are still lacking. The drainage is bad, and needs immediate attention. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates, four of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$375.

FITCHBURG.

(Visited May 11, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. The exterior of the house has been painted, which much improves its appearance. Improvements are to be made in the barn, and it will be enlarged to twice its present size. About one-half of the eighty-nine acres of land are under cultivation, and the products are used for the inmates' table. There is complete separation of the sexes.

The inmates number seventy-four, of whom twenty-eight are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$700.

FOXBOROUGH.

(Visited March 28, 1898.)

As before stated, this almshouse is disgracefully out of repair, and entirely unfit for its present use. There are but two inmates, both women.

The warden and matron receive a salary of \$300.

FRAMINGHAM.

(Visited April 22, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. No repairs have been made during the year, though many are needed. The bath-tub, situated in the men's smoking room, is not fit for use; and the water-closet, placed out of doors, is unsafe. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are sixteen inmates, four being insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$550.

FRANKLIN.

(Visited September 1, 1898.)

The management here is excellent, but the house is in great need of minor repairs. The bath-room, though well supplied with hot and cold water, is poorly located in the basement. The cellar needs better drainage and ventilation. There is no separation of the sexes.

The inmates number six, two being idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

FREETOWN.

(Visited February 15, 1898.)

Although under the same management as when previously visited, this almshouse was found in a disorderly and dirty condition. The house is entirely unfit for its present use, being damp, poorly ventilated, and much out of repair. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, all of whom are weak-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$250.

GARDNER.

(Visited August 24, 1898.)

Good management was again found at this almshouse. No repairs have been made during the year. There is satisfactory separation of the sexes, but none of the sane from the insane. About fifty of the four hundred and fifty acres of land belonging to the farm are under cultivation, and the income from them last year was \$1,119.

There are sixteen inmates, five of whom are insane and two idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

GEORGETOWN.

(Visited April 21, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse is good, and the inmates are well cared for. Minor repairs have been made, greatly adding to the attractiveness and comfort of the interior. A bath-room is soon to be added, in the room now used by tramps, and a few other repairs are to be made. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, though there is none by day.

There are ten inmates, four of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$300.

GLOUCESTER.

(Visited January 31, 1898.)

The same excellent management was found at this almshouse. The criticisms made last year concerning the overcrowded condition of the house, its poor sanitary conveniences and inadequate water supply, should be repeated, but with greater emphasis.

Thirty-three inmates were found here, ten being insane or idiotic. All had the appearance of being kindly treated. The warden receives a salary of \$550.

GOSHEN.

(Visited May 26, 1898.)

One feeble-minded woman is supported by this town. She is still boarded with her son, at a cost of \$2 per week.

GRAFTON.

(Visited May 17, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. Since the last visit, about twenty of the rooms used by the inmates have been papered. Paint instead of paper should have been used, and would have been found to be cleaner and more serviceable. There is no separation of the sexes at night or by day.

There are eighteen inmates, three being insane. The warden receives \$400 for his services.

The town supports one of its dependents, an insane woman, with her mother in Worcester, the sum of \$3 per week being paid for her board.

GREAT BARRINGTON.

(Visited July 22, 1898.)

This town supports five of its insane dependents in private families, where they are kindly treated.

GREENFIELD.

(Visited December 30, 1897.)

Although the management of this almshouse is good, the house is not a credit to the town. It lacks a bath-room and proper heating facilities; there is no provision for the separation of the sexes; and the cellar needs draining, its floor being often covered with water, and at all times damp. There is no reason why the necessary changes cannot be made.

There are nine inmates, five being insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

GREENWICH.

(Visited June 3, 1898.)

This old building of one and one-half stories, is poorly arranged and badly placed. It is kept clean and neat, and the inmates receive good care. No repairs have been made for years. Painting and whitewashing, and some new ceilings, are greatly needed, and can well be afforded, the expenses for the last year having been \$300 less than for twenty-five years.

There are two inmates, one of whom is a deformed idiot. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$325.

GROTON.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. The house is old, and much out of repair. The bedsteads are for the most part of wood, and it is very difficult to keep them free from vermin. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, but none by day.

There are ten inmates, five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$550.

GROVELAND.

(Visited April 21, 1898.)

Since the last visit to this almshouse, a wing has been added, containing a bath-room, a sitting-room, and five bed-rooms. The bath-tub is supplied with neither hot nor cold water. Water-closets are being built out of doors. The old part of the house is greatly in need of repairs, and it is hoped that it will be thoroughly painted and whitewashed. About \$1,000 was realized last year from the farm of ninety acres.

There are four inmates, three of whom are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

HADLEY.

(Visited August 20, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. Repairs are needed inside, and better separation of the sexes should be secured at night. An addition of some size has been made to the barn.

There are seven inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

HANOVER.

(Visited September 26, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. Since the last visit, an addition has been made, which affords a smoking-room for the men and four bed-rooms. There is complete separation of the sexes by day and by night, though there is none at meals. A bath-room and better heating apparatus are much needed.

There are eight inmates, two of whom are insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$250.

HANSON.

(Visited September 26, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. Many repairs must be made before the house can be brought up to the proper standard. The condition of the water-closets and of the kitchen drainage needs immediate attention.

There are six inmates, one being insane, and one idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$350.

HARDWICK.

(Visited June 3, 1898.)

No changes have been made at this almshouse since the last visit. A bath-room and better heating facilities are needed. The management is excellent, both on the farm and in the house. There is no provision for separation of the sexes. From the farm of one hundred and fifty acres of land about \$1,000 was realized last year.

There are five inmates, one being insane, and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$425.

HARVARD.

(Visited July 8, 1898.)

This house was found in a clean and satisfactory condition, and under new management. No repairs have been made since the previous visit. As before urged, a bath-room and better heating facilities should be added as soon as possible. Tramps should not be tolerated in the main house. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are at present only two feeble-minded women here. The warden receives \$350 for his services.

HARWICH.

(Visited August 3, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in a neat and clean condition, and the inmates apparently receive good care. A furnace is much needed, and should be added as soon as possible. There is partial separation of the sexes during the day, and complete separation at meals and at night.

There are twelve inmates, of whom one is insane, and four are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$250.

HAVERHILL.

(Visited September 21, 1898.)

This almshouse is under excellent management, and in good repair. There is complete separation of the sexes both by night and by day. The custom still exists of keeping criminals here, a practice strongly to be condemned. There are fifteen criminals, who are only partially separated from the other inmates.

There are also one hundred and twenty-five pauper inmates, twenty-two of whom are either insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$1,200.

HAWLEY.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

Although this almshouse is under good management, and the inmates receive good care, little else can be said in praise of the place. The building is old, and lacking in the conveniences necessary to an almshouse. The few stoves in use are insufficient to keep the house comfortable in winter. Better bathing arrangements are also needed. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, one being insane. The warden receives \$285 per year for his services.

HINGHAM.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

The arrangement of this almshouse is good, and the old and helpless inmates are kindly cared for. A bath-room is greatly needed, and also a more convenient water supply. All water has to be carried in pails from the well outside. No repairs have been made since the last visit. At night the sexes are completely separated, though they are allowed to mingle during the day.

There are nine inmates, two of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$840.

HOLBROOK.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

One of the idiotic dependents of this town is supported in the family of relatives, \$3 per week being paid for his board.

HOLDEN.

(Visited April 7, 1898.)

New and better arrangements have been adopted by the towns supporting poor in this almshouse. The town of Holden now

assumes the burden of the general expenses, and charges each town for the support of its poor. Quite extensive improvements are contemplated, and some are already in progress. Better heating arrangements are needed. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes, — a serious fault.

There are twenty-two inmates, of whom eleven are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

HOLLISTON.

(Visited September 21, 1898.)

Cleanliness and order were found in this almshouse. All inmates who are able are required to do some work. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are eleven inmates, five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

HOLYOKE.

(Visited March 15, 1898.)

It is most unfortunate that the important structural changes that were begun on this almshouse in 1896 are still incomplete. The sum of \$27,749 is to be expended in the improvements. Considerable confusion was found at this visit throughout the house, and in fact competent management has not existed here for some years. The separation of the sexes is complete by day and by night, though only partial separation is secured at meals.

There are eighty-three inmates, twenty-seven being reported as insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$45 a month, and the matron, \$25.

HOPKINTON.

(Visited April 22, 1898.)

Fairly good management was found at this almshouse. Although paint, paper, and whitewash have been used throughout the house, it still presents an unattractive appearance inside. A more suitably placed bath-tub should be furnished, as the one in the shed is seldom used. Water-closets placed farther away from the house should be built, the present ones being foul and entirely unfit for use. About fifty of the one hundred and thirty-five acres of land are now under cultivation, and the farm yielded an income of \$1,400 last year. There is no separation of the sexes, or of the insane from the sane.

There are eleven inmates, four of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$750.

HUDSON.

(Visited July 9, 1898.)

A new and well planned almshouse has been erected by this town since the last report. It provides good accommodation for the superintendent's family, and satisfactory separation of the sexes. The house is well heated by steam and there are two bathrooms. An excellent new barn has also been built.

There are eight inmates, two being insane. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

IPSWICH.

(Visited April 27, 1898.)

This almshouse is clean and well kept, but considerable renovation is needed inside. The old wooden bedsteads should be replaced by iron ones. Bathing is well attended to, and the inmates appear to receive good care. There is complete separation of the sexes by day and by night, but there is none during meals.

There are seventeen inmates, ten being insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

KINGSTON.

(Visited September 28, 1898.)

One of the feeble-minded dependents of this town is well cared for in the family of a relative, \$5 per week being paid for her support.

LANCASTER.

(Visited February 24, 1898.)

Excellent management and a generally satisfactory condition were found at this almshouse. No changes have been made during the year. Of the eighty acres of land about fifty-five are tilled, and last year the income from the farm was \$1,633.

There are sixteen inmates, two being insane, and five idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

LAWRENCE.

(Visited April 26, 1898.)

This almshouse, still in an unfinished condition, was found under new management. It was thought that the new building would be ready for occupancy by October, 1897, but at this visit it was found unfinished. A large sum of money has been expended, resulting in a badly planned, incommodious building, in which administration will be seriously handicapped by the poor

structural arrangement. The management is not so good as is to be looked for in an almshouse of this size.

There are one hundred and eighty-six inmates, fifty-three of whom are insane. The warden receives a salary of \$700, and the matron \$300.

LEE.

(Visited July 22, 1898.)

Fairly good management was found at this almshouse. Since the last visit a bath-room, supplied with hot and cold water, has been added. The house is small and poorly arranged for its use, though separation of the sexes is secured at night and at meals.

There are six inmates, three of whom are insane, and two idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

LEICESTER.

(Visited September 8, 1898.)

New and satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. Bathing is regularly attended to, and the inmates had the appearance of being kindly cared for. The structural arrangement is such that no separation of the sexes can be secured.

There are thirteen inmates, nine of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$275.

LENOX.

(Visited July 19, 1898.)

This town supports one of its insane dependents in the family of relatives, where she receives kind care. The sum of \$3 per week is paid for her board.

LEOMINSTER.

(Visited May 11, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in good condition and under fairly good management. Complete separation of the sexes is secured. Bathing is regularly attended to, and the inmates are apparently well cared for.

There are ten inmates, five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$700.

LEXINGTON.

(Visited February 9, 1898.)

No changes of note have been made at this almshouse since the last visit. The management is fairly good, but the house is entirely unfit for its use, and provides for no separation of the sexes.

The appearance of the interior is somewhat improved over that of last year, as some whitewashing has been done, but it greatly needs further renovation.

There are five inmates, all sane. The warden receives a salary of \$550.

LITTLETON.

(Visited June 2, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in a more satisfactory condition than when last seen. The house was cleaner, and more interest had evidently been taken to make it attractive inside. A new floor is to be laid, and some painting and whitening are to be done. A bath-room is needed.

There is but one inmate, an insane woman. The warden receives \$275 for his services.

LOWELL.

(Visited April 20, 1898.)

The almshouse in this city was found under efficient management, and in a satisfactory condition. The undesirable practice of keeping criminals in the almshouse is still maintained, and at the time of the visit thirty-seven of this class were found here. They are only partially separated from the other inmates.

There were three hundred and fifty-seven inmates at the time of the visit, and of these one hundred and thirteen were insane and idiotic. There were also thirty-six children.

The warden and matron receive a salary of \$2,000.

LUDLOW.

(Visited June 22, 1898.)

The one dependent of this town, an insane man, is boarded in a private family, where he appears to receive excellent care.

LUNENBURG.

(Visited September 23, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. No changes have been made since the previous visit. The house does not provide for the separation of the sexes, but at present there are only female inmates. The farm is partly under cultivation, and milk and vegetables are sold.

There are six inmates, of whom four are insane and one is idiotic and epileptic. The warden receives a salary of \$350.

LYNN.

(Visited May 9, 1898.)

Excellent management was again found at this almshouse. It was expected that before this time the old building, now occupied by the insane men, would be torn down, and a new building for their use erected, but nothing has been done to accomplish this result. The old building is in every respect to be condemned. The sitting-rooms are hot and improperly ventilated in summer, and the plumbing is bad. Either these insane men should be removed to a state hospital for the insane, or proper sanitary arrangements should be provided for them.

There are one hundred and nine inmates, twenty-five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$1,200.

At the children's home, twenty-one children were found. This house is excellently managed, being under the supervision of a matron.

MALDEN.

(Visited February 17, 1898.)

As usual, most efficient management was found at this almshouse. The new wing affords excellent accommodation for the male inmates. Complete separation of the sexes at all times is now secured. There being no insane inmates here, separate provision for their accommodation is not necessary.

There are thirty-six inmates, six of whom are children. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$700.

MANCHESTER.

(Visited June 22, 1898.)

Although this house is old and lacking in modern improvements, it was found in good condition. The management is excellent, and the inmates are all kindly treated. There is no separation of the sexes. The farm of twenty-seven acres yielded an income of \$507 last year.

There are five inmates, all sane. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

MANSFIELD.

(Visited February 8, 1898.)

This is an old building, badly planned, and in a poor state of repair. Painting, papering, and whitewashing have somewhat improved the appearance of the interior, but further repairs are

greatly needed. A bath-room and better heating accommodations are also much needed. There is complete separation of the sexes at night, but none during the day.

There are six inmates, two of whom are idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

MARBLEHEAD.

(Visited July 16, 1898.)

The management here is good. The almshouse has improved in recent years, and is now fairly well supplied with modern conveniences. The house is very clean and orderly, and the inmates are kindly treated. The drainage is defective. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are twenty-three inmates, of whom six are insane or idiotic. The farm is small, but provides most of the vegetables used in the house. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

MARION.

(Visited September 12, 1898.)

This town boards two of its dependents in private families. One, a feeble-minded man, lives with relatives, \$4 a week being paid for his board. The other case, an insane man, is boarded in a family, where he receives excellent care.

MARLBOROUGH.

(Visited August 4, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under good management. The present house is not well adapted for its use, and a new one is greatly needed. The sexes are separated at night, but not during the day. The farm of eighty acres yielded during the past year an income of \$1,230.

There are thirty-one inmates, thirteen of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$800.

MARSHFIELD.

(Visited May 10, 1898.)

Much credit is due the matron for the satisfactory condition of this almshouse. The house is old, and entirely lacking in modern conveniences. A bath-room and better heating apparatus are needed.

There are six inmates, two of whom are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

MATTAPOISETT.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly, and apparently under efficient management. The house is old and out of repair. There is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, one of whom is idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$350.

MAYNARD.

(Visited June 10, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under good management and scrupulously clean. No changes have been made since the last visit, and it is to be regretted that steam heat and a bath-room are not to be added soon. A small income is realized from the farm of twenty acres. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, one being feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$350.

MEDFIELD.

(Visited September 1, 1898.)

New and satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. No improvements have been made during the year. Better bathing and heating arrangements should be supplied as soon as possible. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

At present there is but one inmate, a feeble-minded woman. The warden receives a salary of \$388.

MEDFORD.

(Visited February 17, 1898.)

This city has a first-class almshouse, under efficient management. Complete separation of the sexes is provided, also good hospital rooms, and excellent sanitary arrangements.

There are nineteen inmates, three of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$700.

MEDWAY.

(Visited September 1, 1898.)

A new almshouse is to be erected in this town, at a cost of \$7,000. It will be ready for occupancy about February 1, 1899; therefore no changes have been made in the old house. It is under fairly good management. The income from the farm of

one hundred acres was \$674 last year. There is no separation of the sexes except at meals.

There are seventeen inmates, three being insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

METHUEN.

(Visited September 30, 1898.)

Efficient management was found at this almshouse. A bath-room and more suitably placed water-closets are greatly needed. There is no separation of the sexes. Some papering and painting have been done during the year.

There are eleven inmates, one of whom is mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

MIDDLEBOROUGH.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

The same good management is again found at this almshouse. It is still necessary to urge the addition of another bath-room, one being insufficient for twenty-two inmates and the superintendent's family. The house provides for complete separation of the sexes, but none of the insane from the sane.

Of the twenty-two inmates, ten are feeble-minded or insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

MILFORD.

(Visited May 13, 1898.)

Satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. No changes of note have been made during the year. Two more bathrooms are greatly needed, one being entirely insufficient for twenty-eight inmates and the warden's family. There is complete separation of the sexes at night, but none during the day.

There are twenty-eight inmates, five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

MILLBURY.

(Visited May 17, 1898.)

This almshouse is badly in need of repairs. The water-closets are in a disgraceful condition, and should be removed at once. Good bathing and heating arrangements are needed. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, one being insane and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

MILLIS.

(Visited September 1, 1898.)

An insane woman, a dependent of this town, is boarded in a family where she receives excellent care, at a cost of \$3 per week.

MILTON.

(Visited September 6, 1898.)

The management at this almshouse is, on the whole, good. More attention should be paid to the cleanliness of the portion occupied by the male inmates, and they should be made to bathe more regularly. Since the previous visit, a flush water-closet, a bath-room, and a room for the accommodation of sick men, have been provided. The separation of the sexes is complete, except at meals.

There are nine inmates; three being insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

MONSON.

(Visited June 20, 1898.)

Cleanliness and order were found throughout this almshouse. The house is heated by stoves. If better heating arrangements could be made, the bath-tub might easily be supplied with hot water. The separation of the sexes is complete at night, but not during the day.

There are seventeen inmates, six being insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

The town boards one of its feeble-minded dependents in a private family, at a cost of \$3 per week, where he is apparently kindly treated.

MONTAGUE.

(Visited June 28, 1898.)

The same excellent management was found at this almshouse as heretofore. Running water has been led into the inmates' dining-room, a new ice-house has been built, and many rooms have been papered. Much credit is due the warden and the matron for the satisfactory conditions found here. The great needs of the house now are a bath-room and more efficient means of heating. There is no separation of the sexes.

The inmates number ten, three being insane or idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$350.

The town supports one family of three persons, two of whom are mentally defective, and are now a great care to the third, an old

man. The sum of \$20 a month is paid for the support of the three. Another dependent, an insane woman, is supported at a cost of \$2 per week. She has a pleasant home, and receives kind treatment.

MONTEREY.

(Visited July 20, 1898.)

This town supports a feeble-minded dependent in a family, where she appears to be kindly treated. The sum of \$7 per month is paid for her support.

NANTUCKET.

(Visited October 3, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in its usual satisfactory condition, but a bath-room is a still needed improvement. The inmates are comfortably clothed and fed, and kindly treated. One insane woman, who is a great care, should be removed to a hospital for the insane, where she can be properly controlled. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are twenty-eight inmates, sixteen of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

NATICK.

(Visited March 10, 1898.)

This almshouse is under the same management as when last seen. Bathing of the inmates should be enforced oftener, the facilities being sufficient. The house is kept clean inside, but the condition of the grounds is little changed from that found two years ago, being unfinished, and showing evidence of poor management. There is complete separation of the sexes.

The inmates number twenty-two, two being insane and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

NEW BEDFORD.

(Visited September 13, 1898.)

Since the previous report, city water has been introduced at this almshouse, and connection with the city sewer established, but it is to be regretted that the other improvements, so much needed, namely, a new administration building, a hospital, and electric lights, have not been made. The house is under good management. There is complete separation of the sexes, though no special provision is made for the insane.

There are eighty-three inmates, twenty-five of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$850.

NEWBURY.

(Visited May 4, 1898.)

At the time of the visit this town was supporting three of its dependents in private families. One, an idiotic child of fourteen, has, since the visit, been sent to the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded. The other two dependents are insane women, who should be placed in a hospital for the insane, where they would receive proper care.

NEWBURYPORT.

(Visited April 27, 1898.)

Excellent management was again found at this almshouse. No changes have been made during the year. The house affords satisfactory separation of the sexes, although no special provision for the insane is made.

There are fifty-five inmates, of whom eight are insane and seven idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$720.

NEW SALEM.

(Visited September 15, 1898.)

This almshouse has been closed for some months, and the town now boards its poor in private families.

NEWTON.

(Visited August 31, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. Full separation of the sexes is now observed. It is still necessary to urge that an additional bath-room be provided. The inmates are kindly treated, and bear evidence of the fact. The farm of sixty-five acres, of which thirty are tilled, yielded an income last year of \$1,801.

There are nineteen inmates, two being insane. The warden receives a salary of \$800.

NORTH ADAMS.

(Visited July 22, 1898.)

The condition of this almshouse is improved. More hired help should be allowed for the inside work, the matron having too much responsibility. The old wooden bedsteads have been replaced by iron ones, and vigorous means have been taken to clear the house of vermin. Separation of the sexes is complete.

There are twenty-seven inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$750.

This town also supports one of its demented dependents in the town of New Salem, where she lives with her father. It is probable that she will be removed to a hospital for the insane at an early date.

NORTHAMPTON.

(Visited May 30, 1898.)

New management was found at this almshouse. The old system of paying the warden \$2.25 per week for all town paupers supported within the almshouse has been abandoned, and he now receives an annual salary of \$650. At the time of this visit, the house was not found as clean as it should have been, but at a later visit, on August 29, there was manifest improvement, some floors having been painted, and vigorous means taken to exterminate the vermin. The house, although comparatively new, already shows signs of poor construction. The products of the farm of fifteen acres are consumed in the house. The separation of the sexes is complete.

There are twenty-seven inmates, sixteen being insane or idiotic.

NORTH ANDOVER.

(Visited February 18, 1898.)

New and satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. About \$550 has been spent in shingling the house and building a new carriage house. The farm of one hundred and thirty-five acres yielded an income during the past year of \$2,600. The sexes are separated except at meals.

There are six inmates, one being insane, and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH.

(Visited January 11, 1898.)

Excellent management was found here, the house being scrupulously clean and orderly. No changes have been made during the year. The house is comfortably warmed, has good sanitary arrangements, and provides for separation of the sexes, except at meals.

There are eleven inmates, eight of whom are insane or feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$550.

NORTHBOROUGH.

(Visited September 19, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly throughout, and the one inmate, a feeble-minded woman, receives good care.

Since the last visit the house has been painted on the exterior, and a few other repairs have been made. A bath-room and better heating facilities are much needed.

The warden receives a salary of \$365.

NORTHBRIDGE.

(Visited May 11, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. Better heating facilities are needed, and a better equipped bath-room. There is no separation of the sexes. Only a small part of the one hundred and fifty acres belonging to the farm is under cultivation, and a small income from the farm was realized last year.

The inmates number eight, one being insane and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

The town also supports one of its insane dependents with her son, in the town of Bellingham. She is well cared for, at a cost to the town of \$10 per month.

NORTH BROOKFIELD.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

Since the last report a new and, in most respects, a very well-constructed almshouse has been built in this town. A great mistake was made in not following out the original plans, which provided for the warden's quarters and two wings. Only one wing was built, and no provision for the separation of the sexes was made. But since then, separation has been secured by building a door at the entrance to each corridor; these doors are kept locked. Fire escapes leading from the third floor are needed.

There are eleven inmates, of whom three are insane, and two idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

NORTH EGREMONT.

(Visited July 21, 1898.)

This town supports a demented dependent in the family of relatives, where she receives excellent care, at a cost of \$3 per week.

NORTHFIELD.

(Visited June 29, 1898.)

This town has no almshouse, and supports an idiotic man in a private family, at the rate of \$1.50 per week. It is reported that he is given but one meal a day, being obliged to saw wood for his dinner, or, more often, go without it. The Overseers have been requested to better his condition.

NORTH READING.

(Visited January 28, 1898.)

The interior of this old almshouse looks as if paint and white-wash had not been used for years. It lacks all modern conveniences, and is not a credit to the town. There is no separation of the sexes. Of the one hundred and sixty acres, about twenty-five are under cultivation. An income of \$1,740 was realized last year from the farm.

There are five inmates, one being insane, and two feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

NORTON.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse continues to be efficient. With the exception of the painting of the house and barns, no improvements have been made during the year. A bath-room and better heating facilities are greatly needed. The separation of the sexes is complete by night, but not by day.

There are six inmates, one being insane, and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

NORWELL.

(Visited September 26, 1898.)

Although this almshouse is a very old building, it was found neat and clean throughout. The practice of lodging tramps and prisoners in the cellar should be discontinued. A bath-room is greatly needed. No separation of the sexes is secured. The farm is small, yielding a small income and supplying the house with vegetables, etc.

There are five inmates, three being insane or feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

OAKHAM.

(Visited June 8, 1898.)

This town provides for a demented woman in a private family at New Braintree, where she is well cared for. Nothing is paid for her board, as she does considerable work for the family.

ORANGE.

(Visited August 24, 1898.)

This almshouse continues to maintain its reputation for cleanliness and good order. A bath-room is still needed, and it is hoped

that it will soon be supplied by the Overseers. The separation of the sexes is secured by night, but not during the day.

There are four inmates, one being insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

OXFORD.

(Visited June 9, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. The exterior of the house and barn has been painted. Two new furnaces have been put in, and the house will now be comfortably warmed. The tramp house has been renovated. A bath-room is still greatly needed. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are ten inmates, of whom one is insane, and seven are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

This town also supports one of its demented dependents in the family of relatives in New Braintree. The sum of \$2 a week is paid for her board, and she has a very comfortable home.

PALMER.

(Visited June 21, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse is not up to the proper standard, there being a general lack of order and cleanliness. The bath-room has been re-located during the year, and bathing should be more regularly enforced. Many of the rooms have been papered and painted, thus adding much to the attractiveness of the house. The farm is productive, and about \$1,000 was realized from it last year. Separation of the sexes is complete by day and by night.

There are twenty inmates, of whom four are insane, and two idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

PEABODY.

(Visited May 2, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in good condition and under good management. No changes have been made during the year. The separation of the sexes is complete.

There are forty inmates, of whom eight are feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

PEMBROKE.

(Visited September 26, 1898.)

This almshouse was found as usual, fairly clean and satisfactory, but a higher standard is to be desired. No changes have been made for some years, though many are needed, the house

being an old farmhouse, and not well adapted to its present use. There is urgent need of a bath-room, but whether this improvement is made or not, bathing should be enforced. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, but none by day.

There are six inmates; one being insane, and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$350.

PEPPERELL.

(Visited May 7, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly, and under proper management. The bad practice of lodging tramps in the attic still exists; during the past year two hundred and eighty-six were provided for in this manner. The farm of sixty acres is partly under cultivation, and \$615 was realized from it during the past year. The house still provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, one being insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$360.

PETERSHAM.

(Visited August 22, 1898.)

This almshouse, a small house of one and one-half stories, is poorly arranged for its present use. It provides for no separation of the sexes, though at present this arrangement causes no inconvenience. Though heated by stoves, the house is kept comfortable in winter. A bath-room is greatly needed.

There are two inmates, both men, and both insane. The warden and matron receive together a salary of \$400.

PITTSFIELD.

(Visited July 19, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same management, and in an improved condition, but further improvement is desirable. The farm is under excellent cultivation. The house provides for the separation of the sexes except at meals, and for the separation of the sane from the insane.

There are forty-one inmates, of whom twenty-two are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$650.

The town also supports a feeble-minded woman, in a private family in the town of Dalton, at a cost of \$1 per week. She has a good home.

PLYMOUTH.

(Visited June 13, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in its usual satisfactory condition, the management being the same as for the last fourteen years. During

the year, fire extinguishers, together with one hundred feet of hose, have been provided, and the house is now lighted by electricity. A well has also been dug, furnishing an excellent supply of water. The house provides for satisfactory separation of the sexes.

There are eleven inmates; one being insane, and two idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

PROVINCETOWN.

(Visited August 4, 1898.)

This almshouse continues under the same good management that has been found here for the past nineteen years. It still needs better heating and bathing facilities, and provision for separation of the sexes.

There are ten inmates. Three women are feeble-minded, and one man is epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$260.

QUINCY.

(Visited June 20, 1898.)

Although the inmates of this almshouse are kindly treated, the management is not good. The house was found in an unclean and disorderly condition. Another bath-room is greatly needed, one being insufficient for twenty-one inmates. The house provides for partial separation of the sexes at night, but none during the day.

Four of the inmates are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

RANDOLPH.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

This almshouse, a three-story building with one wing, remains under the same management as in former years, which is only fairly good. Nothing has been done to improve the water-closets, which open off the women's corridor, and were condemned last year. They remain a menace to the health of the inmates and a disgrace to the Overseers. The house affords only partial separation of the sexes at night, and none during the day.

There are eleven inmates, two of whom are insane, and three idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

RAYNHAM.

(Visited September 27, 1898.)

Two feeble-minded dependents of this town are supported in a private family, where they receive excellent care, at a cost of \$3 each per week.

READING.

(Visited January 28, 1898.)

New and satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. The house provides good sanitary and heating arrangements, and the inmates receive good care. During the year the house has been painted on the exterior, and it now presents a pleasing appearance. No separation of the sexes is secured.

There are five inmates, one of whom is insane, and two are idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

REHOBOTH.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. Although the drainage was reported to be improved last year, it was found to be in bad condition at this visit; it should receive immediate attention. The house needs a bath-room, better heating facilities, and provision for separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates; one being insane, and two idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

ROCHESTER.

(Visited September 14, 1898.)

This almshouse, an old building of one and one-half stories, is much out of repair and is unfit for its use. It is, however, kept clean in every part, and the inmates are kindly treated. The Overseers of the Poor are seeking a new location.

There are four inmates; three being insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$240.

ROCKLAND.

(Visited September 26, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. An addition, providing a better bath-room, a dining-room, a sitting-room, and a kitchen, is greatly needed. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are twelve inmates, three being insane or feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

ROCKPORT.

(Visited January 31, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. It still greatly needs a bath-room, supplied with hot and cold water. There is separation of the sexes at meals, but at no other time.

There are seven inmates, six of whom are feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

SALEM.

(Visited May 2, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in satisfactory condition, and under new management. Since the last visit, three new bath-rooms and three flush water-closets have been placed in the insane wards. The house provides for separation of the sane from the insane, and also for separation of the sexes.

There are one hundred and twenty-two inmates, forty-nine of whom are insane or idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$550, and the matron \$400.

SANDWICH.

(Visited June 30, 1898.)

Good management was again found at this almshouse, but the house is old, unsafe, and entirely unfit for its present use. It provides for complete separation of the sexes, but the sane and the insane are allowed to mingle. The house is heated by stoves, which is a very unsafe method. A bath-room is greatly needed. With the number of inmates, and the facilities found here at present, bathing is accomplished with difficulty.

There are thirteen inmates, eleven of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$425.

SAUGUS.

(Visited August 12, 1898.)

Although new and excellent management was found at this almshouse, little else can be said in praise of it. The building is old and very unsafe, and, as previously reported, reflects great discredit upon the town. Complete separation of the sexes is secured.

There are eight inmates, three of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

SEEKONK.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

The management at this almshouse is good, but many repairs are needed to bring the house up to the proper standard. Paint and whitewash should be less sparingly used. Modern sanitary appliances are the important needs. There is no separation of the sexes.

The inmates number five, of whom two are feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

SHARON.

(Visited September 20, 1898.)

This almshouse was found neat and clean. It is much in need of repairs, none having been made during the year. Much labor would be saved by introducing water into the house, for, under the present conditions, all water used has to be carried in pails from the pump outside. The practice of lodging tramps in the house should be discontinued, as there is great danger of fire from this custom. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

SHELBURNE.

(Visited June 30, 1898.)

This town has no almshouse, and at present supports two dependents in private families, one in the town of Charlemont, at a cost of \$2.50 per week, and the other in Shelburne, at \$1.50 per week; both patients receive satisfactory care.

SHERBORN.

(Visited June 17, 1898.)

This town has a new and well built almshouse, which affords complete separation of the sexes, and of the insane from the sane. It has two well equipped bath-rooms and four flush water-closets, and is heated by steam. Although the house was not found scrupulously clean, its condition in the main was satisfactory.

There are four inmates, two of whom are feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

SHREWSBURY.

(Visited September 7, 1898.)

This old almshouse was found in the usual unsatisfactory condition; it is now unfit to live in, the floors being sunken, and the

walls falling in. This condition reflects discredit upon the town. There being but two inmates, both women, it might be better to board them in private families, or place them in the almshouse of some neighboring town.

The warden receives \$300 a year for his services.

SHUTESBURY.

(Visited June 27, 1898.)

Satisfactory management was again found at this almshouse. The inmates receive kind treatment, and have a good home. There is still need of a bath-room.

The inmates, five in number, are all feeble-minded, and two of them are epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$225.

SOMERSET.

(Visited March 5, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. No changes have been made here for some years. A well equipped bath-room and steam heat are greatly needed. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes.

There are nine inmates, three of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

SOUTHBOROUGH.

(Visited August 31, 1898.)

This town supports two feeble-minded dependents in a private family, where they receive good care.

SOUTHBRIDGE.

(Visited January 19, 1898.)

Although lacking in modern conveniences, this almshouse was found under good management. No repairs of note have been made during the year. The bath-tub, which is supplied with neither hot nor cold water, is improperly placed in a room which is very cold in winter; it is seldom used, and a properly equipped bath-room should be furnished at once. Only partial separation of the sexes is secured at night, and none by day.

There are eighteen inmates, of whom four are insane, and two idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

SOUTH HADLEY.

(Visited August 27, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under satisfactory management, and in fairly good repair. A bath-room and a better water supply are

still the two great needs of the house. Insecure separation of the sexes is obtained by night, and none during the day.

There are eight inmates, all sane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

SPENCER.

(Visited September 8, 1898.)

This almshouse provides well for its inmates. The management is satisfactory, and the heating and sanitary facilities are good. Separation of the sexes is now secured.

There are eleven inmates, six of whom are insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$425.

SPRINGFIELD.

(Visited March 15, 1898.)

This excellent almshouse was found under the same efficient management, and in a most satisfactory condition. Separate buildings, thoroughly equipped, are provided for the care of the sick, the insane, and the sane. It is proposed to build a hospital soon for the exclusive care of contagious diseases. With the exception of the new detached laundry-building, no changes were found.

There are one hundred and eighty-six inmates, seventy-eight of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives \$1,000, and the matron \$240, per year.

STERLING.

(Visited September 23, 1898.)

The same good management as heretofore was found at this almshouse. A more suitably placed bath-room should be provided. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are eight inmates, three of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives \$540 for his services.

STONEHAM.

(Visited May 5, 1898.)

This almshouse has improved much during the past few years in management and in appearance, and is now in a very satisfactory condition. It is heated by steam, is equipped with two bath-rooms, and provides for complete separation of the sexes.

There are twelve inmates, two of whom are insane, and three idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

STOUGHTON.

(Visited August 13, 1898.)

Under new management this almshouse was found in a much improved condition. Although an old building, and ill adapted to its present use, it was found clean and orderly throughout. Many rooms have been painted and papered. The bath-tub has been more suitably placed, and is now used weekly by all inmates. There is complete separation of the sexes by night, but none by day.

There are eleven inmates, three of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

STOW.

(Visited June 10, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in a clean and orderly condition. It is an old and poorly furnished building, and should be replaced by a new one. It has no bath-room, is heated by stoves, and provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

STURBRIDGE.

(Visited January 19, 1898.)

This old and dilapidated almshouse was found in its usual unsatisfactory condition. Since the visit, the Overseers have reported that a furnace has been put in, and that some slight repairs have been made. No provision is made for the separation of the sexes.

There are ten inmates, five of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

SUDBURY.

(Visited August 18, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean, and the inmates appeared to be happy and well cared for. The house has no facilities for bathing, or for the separation of the sexes, and efforts should be made to secure these needed improvements. The condition of the privies has been improved, and a new well has been driven some distance from them. The house is to be painted and whitewashed inside, which, it is hoped, will improve its appearance.

There are six inmates, four of whom are idiotic, and one is insane. The warden receives \$360 for his services.

SUTTON.

(Visited January 18, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. The structural defects of the house are pronounced, and no separation of the sexes can be secured. As long as the filthy idiotic men are kept here, the house can neither be kept clean nor properly ventilated. The sum of \$250 has been appropriated for improvements. The water-closets used by both sexes are placed at the end of the corridor, from which open the rooms used by the male inmates. This shameful condition should receive immediate attention.

There are sixteen inmates, five of whom are insane, and seven idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

SWANSEA.

(Visited March 5, 1898.)

The same excellent management was found again at this almshouse. A bath-room is a greatly needed improvement. The insane and idiotic women inmates should be placed in a hospital for the insane.

There are three female inmates, two of whom are idiotic, and one is insane. The warden receives a salary of \$375.

TAUNTON.

(Visited March 1, 1898.)

The management of this almshouse remains unchanged. It has been necessary to convert the attic into a dormitory, and accommodations for nineteen more inmates is now afforded. A bath-tub and a flush water-closet have been placed in this dormitory. A hot water heating apparatus has also been placed in the house since the last visit. There is provision for complete separation of the sexes.

There are fifty-one inmates, six being mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$900.

TEMPLETON.

(Visited September 22, 1898.)

Excellent new management was found at this almshouse, and its condition is much improved. The sum of \$500, appropriated for improvements, has been used to good advantage. The interior of the house has been thoroughly cleaned, whitened, papered, and painted; the old wooden bedsteads have been replaced by new iron ones, and new mattresses provided; the tramp quarters have

been removed, and repairs have been made on the barn ; and the house has been provided with a more abundant supply of water and modern heating apparatus put in. The house provides for complete separation of the sexes by night but none by day.

There are five inmates, two of whom are insane and one idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$700.

TEWKSBURY.

(Visited June 8, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. The exterior of the house has been painted, and this has much improved its appearance. About one-half of the farm of one hundred acres is under cultivation, and the income from it last year was about \$3,089. The invasion of the main house by vermin made the removal of the tramp quarters from the basement a necessity, and a tramp house was therefore built at some distance from the main house. There is complete separation of the sexes except at meals.

There are six inmates, five of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$600.

TOPSFIELD.

(Visited September 8, 1898.)

This almshouse was found clean and orderly throughout, and the inmates receive good treatment. The whole interior of the house has been much improved by the use of paint and paper. The house makes provision for separation of the sexes, although at present there are but two inmates, both men.

The warden receives a salary of \$350.

TOWNSEND.

(Visited June 13, 1898.)

Very satisfactory management was found at this almshouse. The custom that permits of the lodging of tramps in the room adjacent to the kitchen is to be condemned ; the danger from fire is great, and the introduction of vermin cannot be prevented. When proper heating and sanitary appliances are furnished the house will be quite satisfactory. An effort should be made to secure separation of the sexes, at least during the night ; at present there is no separation.

There are seven inmates, five of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$450.

TYNGSBOROUGH.

(Visited April 4, 1898.)

This almshouse was found in the same dilapidated condition as heretofore, and it is difficult to keep it clean. There is no provision for the separation of the sexes, but at present there are but two inmates, both men. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

. TYRINGHAM.

(Visited July 21, 1898.)

The sum of \$75 per year is paid by this town for the support of a feeble-minded girl, fifteen years of age, in a private family. She should be sent to the School for the Feeble-minded, where much could be done to improve her mental and moral condition. If she is allowed to remain as she is, untaught and undisciplined, only bad results can be expected.

UPTON.

(Visited May 13, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. Although a comparatively new house, no provision whatever was made for the separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, all sane. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

UXBRIDGE.

(Visited May 18, 1898.)

This old and dilapidated almshouse was found under the same management. The inmates are probably kindly treated, but dirt and disorder abound everywhere. Nothing commendable can be said of the place. Beams rot, floors sink, and ceiling and walls fall in, and yet no repairs are made.

There are seven inmates, all old and feeble, and three of them idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

WAKEFIELD.

(Visited October 7, 1898.)

The condition of this almshouse is not satisfactory. The housekeeping is poor, and the interior of the house is greatly in need of renovation. There is need also of proper bathing arrangements, the only tub in the house being improperly equipped, and placed in a room containing two beds. There are no flush water-closets, and the only closet used by the inmates of both sexes opens off a shed; its condition needs immediate attention.

Altogether this almshouse is a great discredit to the town. There is no separation of the sexes.

There are eighteen inmates, seven of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$650.

WALES.

(Visited June 21, and July 9, 1898.)

For the last twelve years this town has supported three insane dependents in a private family. Although they are treated with great kindness, and do not suffer for lack of the necessities of life, it would be more to the credit of the town if a larger sum of money were expended for their support.

WALPOLE.

(Visited March 28, 1898.)

On the day of the visit, the warden and matron were preparing to move out. Much credit is due them for the homelike condition found in this old and poorly arranged house. Better heating and bathing facilities, and some provision for the separation of the sexes, are greatly to be desired.

There are five inmates, four of whom are feeble-minded. The warden and matron are paid \$400 a year.

WALTHAM.

(Visited August 1, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same good management as in former years. The house provides for complete separation of the sexes, and partial separation of the sane from the insane. The Overseers of the Poor report that it has been proposed to renovate the interior of the house with paint, etc. This would much improve its condition, no repairs of this nature having been made since the house was built, seven years ago.

There are forty-six inmates, eighteen of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$1,000.

WARE.

(Visited June 2, 1898.)

This old and poorly arranged almshouse is still occupied, and little is now heard of building a new one. It is under new and excellent management. The inmates are kindly treated and tenderly cared for when ill, and the house is neat and clean throughout. The foul privy, adjacent to the room occupied by a male

inmate, should be removed. The house greatly needs a properly equipped bath-room and a furnace. There is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are fifteen inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

The town supports a feeble-minded man in the family of relatives, where he is kindly cared for. The sum of \$3 per week is paid for his board.

WAREHAM.

(Visited September 12, 1898.)

Good management prevails in this almshouse, and it was found satisfactory in most respects. A bath-room and safer heating facilities should be provided. The separation of the sexes is complete at night only.

There are seven inmates, two of whom are feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$250.

WARREN.

(Visited September 8, 1898.)

Efficient management was found at this almshouse. Many of the rooms have been painted, and the interior now presents a pleasing appearance. There is still urgent need of a bath-room, and of more complete separation of the sexes.

There are seven inmates, four of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

WARWICK.

(Visited March 16, 1898.)

The management at this almshouse remains the same. The house was found clean and orderly, and the inmates apparently receiving good care. There is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, two of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$375.

WATERTOWN.

(Visited August 1, 1898.)

This almshouse was found neat and clean throughout. The house provides comfortably for its inmates. Complete separation of the sexes is secured except at meals. Another bath-room is greatly needed, and it is hoped that one will be provided in the near future.

There are twelve inmates, four of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$500.

WAYLAND.

(Visited February 14, 1898.)

This almshouse, a building two and one-half stories high, provides a comfortable home for its few inmates. Separation of the sexes is not secured, neither has the house proper heating or bathing facilities. The bath-tub should be supplied with hot and cold water; at present all water has to be carried to the tub in pails.

There are three inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

WEBSTER.

(Visited January 18, 1898.)

Great credit is due the warden and matron of this almshouse for its very clean and pleasing condition. It is still necessary to urge that a well equipped bath-room and a furnace be added. The house does not provide for any separation of the sexes.

There are fourteen inmates, two being insane, and two idiotic. The warden and matron, who have been here for twelve years, receive a salary of \$600.

WELLESLEY.

(Visited January 17, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under the same management, and in a disorderly and dirty condition. As has been reported in previous years, the house is cheerless and poorly arranged. The three insane women, who were found in one room in which they sleep and always sit, should be assigned better accommodations. No provision for the separation of the sexes is provided.

The inmates number eight, six of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$550.

WELLFLEET.

(Visited August 4, 1898.)

This town supports no almshouse. Two of its feeble-minded dependents are well cared for in a family, where the sum of \$3 a week is paid for the board of each. One of the town's demented cases, a man of sixty-six years, is boarded with an old woman of eighty-four years; the sum of \$2.50 per week only is paid for his board, though this amount is expected to furnish support for both of these persons. The case should receive the attention of the Overseers of the Poor.

WESTBOROUGH.

(Visited July 16, 1898.)

This almshouse was found under good management, being clean and orderly throughout. No changes have been made since the previous visit. The house provides for complete separation of the sexes.

There are ten inmates, four of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$600.

WEST BOYLSTON.

(Visited May 24, 1898.)

No changes were found at this almshouse. The management continues the same, and the house was found in as clean a condition as could be expected, but the use of paint and white-wash inside is greatly needed. The practice of keeping petty criminals here has been abandoned. The house provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are eight inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

WEST BRIDGEWATER.

(Visited March 24, 1898.)

Excellent management was found at this almshouse. Some minor improvements have been made, besides the addition of hot water to both bath-tubs and the kitchen. There is complete separation of the sexes.

There are eight inmates, four of whom are insane, and one is idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$400.

WEST BROOKFIELD.

(Visited June 7, 1898.)

This almshouse is under good management, and in good repair, though lacking in the necessary sanitary appliances. The water supply is inconveniently placed, and it might be changed at small cost. The foundation for a new barn has been laid, and the work is fast progressing. When complete, the barn will cost about \$2,000. The farm interests are well looked after, and an income of \$1,250 was realized last year. There is no separation of the sexes by day, though at night it is complete.

There are six inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden receives a salary of \$500.

WESTFIELD.

(Visited July 19, 1898.)

No changes have been made at this almshouse during the past year. The present warden and matron are serving their seventeenth year. The house is well managed, and the inmates evidently receive kind treatment. A large house like this, containing thirty-six sleeping rooms, cannot be properly heated by stoves, and steam heat should be supplied. There is partial separation of the sexes by day, and complete separation by night.

There are twenty-five inmates, four of whom are mentally defective. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$700.

WESTFORD.

(Visited September 29, 1898.)

Efficient management was found at this almshouse. The house is kept neat and clean, and, with frequent use of paint and white-wash, is made attractive. It is proposed to build a wing to replace the old one. If this plan is carried out, a kitchen, pantry, cold-storage room, bath-room, and several sleeping rooms will be furnished. There should be no accommodations in the main house for tramps. At present, no provision is made for the separation of the sexes.

There are six inmates, one of whom is insane, and one idiotic and epileptic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

WEST NEWBURY.

(Visited May 4, 1898.)

The management at this almshouse is the same as when last seen. The house was not as clean and orderly as it should have been. No changes have been made during the year. A bath-room and a furnace are greatly needed improvements. There is no provision for separation of the sexes.

There are five inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$250.

WESTON.

(Visited February 14, 1898.)

This almshouse remains in the same unsatisfactory condition as has been noted for some years past. That this condition continues to exist reflects discredit both upon the management and the Overseers of the Poor.

There are three male inmates, one of whom is insane. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$450.

WESTPORT.

(Visited September 28, 1898.)

This almshouse was found scrupulously clean throughout, and the inmates looking neat and happy. A bath-tub has been purchased and is soon to be put in place. The house is now satisfactory in most respects, but the old wooden bedsteads should be replaced by new iron ones. The house provides for partial separation of the sexes at night, but none during the day.

There are six inmates, three of whom are insane, and two idiotic. The warden is paid \$400 for his services.

WEST STOCKBRIDGE.

(Visited July 20, 1898.)

This town pays \$8 per month for the support of a woman and her family of three idiotic children. The sum paid is entirely insufficient, and the deplorable condition in which the family was found reflects great discredit upon this well-to-do town.

WEYMOUTH.

(Visited March 21, 1898.)

New and good management was found at this almshouse. The looked for improvements have not been made. The bathing accommodations, which consist of one bath-tub, are not sufficient for the large number of inmates found here. The house was neat and clean throughout, and the inmates had the appearance of being kindly treated. The house provides for partial separation of the sexes.

There are thirty-four inmates, of whom two are insane, and eight feeble-minded. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$800.

WILLIAMSBURG.

(Visited August 26, 1898.)

This town supports an insane dependent in a private family, where she has a good home. The sum of \$2.50 a week is paid for her board.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

(Visited July 21, 1898.)

The almshouse in this town remains precisely as reported last year, — in a dilapidated, discreditable condition. The arrangement whereby the warden is given the rental of the farm, and paid \$2 per week for each inmate, is most objectionable. Under this

arrangement it might be possible for those in charge to economize in the expenditure for food and clothing, to the detriment of the inmates. The house is insufficiently warmed by stoves, is not supplied with proper bathing arrangements, and provides for no separation of the sexes.

There are four inmates, all of whom are sane.

WILMINGTON.

(Visited September 5, 1898.)

This almshouse remains unchanged. Many improvements are needed to make it satisfactory, among which are a bath-room, provision for the separation of the sexes, and steam heat. With the income from the farm, and that received from work done by the warden and the male inmates in the highways, the almshouse is made self-supporting. The income from these two sources last year was \$1,506, and under these conditions, the town ought to provide a more satisfactory almshouse than the present one.

There are two inmates. The warden receives a salary of \$400.

WINCHENDON.

(Visited May 3, 1898.)

This almshouse is greatly in need of minor repairs. It is kept clean, and the inmates are kindly treated. Complete separation of the sexes is secured at night, but not by day. The farm of two hundred acres is only partially cultivated, the income from it was \$1,960 during the past year.

There are ten inmates, one of whom is idiotic. The warden receives \$750 for his services.

WOBURN.

(Visited January 29, 1898.)

Good management was found at this almshouse. The house is old, poorly arranged, and greatly overcrowded. A serious fault is the over-crowding of the small attic rooms, escape from which in case of fire would be impossible, there being no fire escapes from this floor. If it were not for the very creditable manner in which the almshouse is managed, it would be a greater disgrace to the city than it now is. There is complete separation of the sexes except at meals.

There are forty-nine inmates, of whom two are insane, and three idiotic. The warden and matron receive a salary of \$650.

WORCESTER.

(Visited September 9, 1898.)

As usual, this large and well planned institution is under good management, and was found in a satisfactory condition throughout. Since the previous visit a new wing has been built, which furnishes accommodation for one hundred and fifty inmates; it is to be used for the sane and insane men. The sanitary appliances, both in this new wing and throughout the other buildings, are very satisfactory. A new heater for supplying hot water has been put in operation, and a system of electric bells, connecting all the floors with the main office, has been put in. The building provides for the complete separation of the sexes, and of the sane from the insane.

There are two hundred and six inmates, ninety-four of whom are mentally defective. The warden receives a salary of \$1,500.

WORTHINGTON.

(Visited August 24, 1898.)

This town supports one insane and one feeble-minded woman in private families, where they receive good care.

WRENTHAM.

(Visited September 29, 1898.)

Minor repairs have been made at this almshouse since the last report, and the house now presents a pleasing appearance. Good separation of the sexes is secured, and bathing is regularly enforced.

There are eight inmates, of whom three are insane, and three feeble-minded. The warden receives a salary of \$300.

YARMOUTH.

(Visited August 2, 1898.)

Though lacking in all modern conveniences, this almshouse is under excellent management, the same that has been here for twenty-six years. No changes were found. The inmates have a good home and kind treatment. There is no separation of the sexes.

The inmates number seven, of whom one is insane, and three are idiotic. The matron receives \$300 for her services.

**THE PENALTY INCURRED BY CERTAIN TOWNS FOR FAILURE
TO MAKE THEIR PAUPER RETURNS IN DUE TIME.**

The law requires the several cities and towns of the Commonwealth to make certain returns of pauper statistics to the State Board during the month of April in each year, and imposes a penalty of one dollar for each day's delay beyond the specified time in making such returns. Under this law the Board reported to the Commonwealth the names of the following forty-nine cities and towns as having failed to make their returns during the month of April, 1898: Abington, Acton, Ashby, Avon, Bernardston, Boxborough, Charlemont, Chatham, Cheshire, Clinton, Dana, Danvers, Dracut, Fitchburg, Foxborough, Franklin, Gay Head, Goshen, Hardwick, Hinsdale, Holyoke, Ipswich, Lawrence, Lee, Lincoln, Merrimac, Milton, Monroe, Needham, New Ashford, New Bedford, Northampton, Petersham, Plainfield, Rehoboth, Rochester, Rowe, Russell, Somerset, Southampton, Tolland, Waltham, Ware, Webster, Westhampton, Westwood, Whately, Williamstown, Wilmington.

The total amount of penalty was \$470. The largest amount paid by any one town was \$74, and the smallest \$2.

**THE RELIEF OF SMALL TOWNS IN THE SUPPORT OF THEIR
INSANE.**

Under chapter 243 of the Acts of 1892, as amended by chapter 375 of the Acts of 1895, and further amended by chapter 196 of the Acts of 1898, towns having a taxable valuation of less than \$500,000 may be partly or wholly reimbursed for the support of their insane in the State Hospitals, the State Almshouse, the State Farm, and boarded in families. Fifty-three towns, viz.: Ashby, Becket, Berkley, Berlin, Bernardston, Boxborough, Charlemont, Chesterfield, Clarksburg, Cummington, Erving, Florida, Granby, Granville, Greenwich, Goshen, Halifax, Hampden, Heath, Holland, Leverett, Leyden, Mashpee, Middlefield, Monroe, Monterey, Montgomery, New Salem, Pelham, Peru, Philipston, Plainfield, Prescott, Richmond, Rowe, Sandisfield, Savoy, Shutesbury, Southampton, Sunderland, Tolland,

Truro, Tyngsborough, Tyringham, Wales, Warwick, Washington, Wendell, Westhampton, West Tisbury, Whately, Windsor, and Worthington, have thus received relief. The law leaves it to the Governor and Council to determine what proportion of the expenses incurred shall be reimbursed; and, as ruled at present, towns having a valuation of less than \$200,000 are allowed their expenses in full; towns having a valuation of between \$200,000 and \$300,000, three-quarters of their expenses; and towns having a valuation of between \$300,000 and \$500,000, half of their expenses. The whole sum actually paid back to the towns during the last official year was \$11,450.16, as against \$10,387.45 the previous year, \$10,578.94 two years ago, \$7,935.63 three years ago, \$6,552.13 four years ago, and \$4,825.75 five years ago.

THE EDUCATION OF STATE CHILDREN.

The Legislature of 1896 passed an Act providing for the payment by the Commonwealth for State children educated by the several cities and towns. This Act was repealed by the Legislature of 1898 and the following substituted: (Acts of 1898, Chapter 496, Section 8) "For the tuition in the public schools in any town or city of any child between the ages of five and fifteen years who shall be placed elsewhere than in his own home by the state board of lunacy and charity, or by the trustees of the Lyman and industrial schools, or kept under the control of either of said boards in said town or city, the Commonwealth shall pay to said town or city, and for such tuition of any such child so placed by the trustees for children of the city of Boston, or so kept under the control of said trustees, the city of Boston from its appropriation for school purposes shall pay to said town or city the sum of fifty cents for each week of five days, or major part thereof, of attendance of every child in the public schools. For the transportation to and from a public school of any child whose tuition is payable by the Commonwealth or by the city of Boston under the provisions of this section, the Commonwealth or the city of Boston, as the case may be, shall pay to the town or city furnishing such transportation, for each week of five days or major part thereof, a sum

equal to the average amount per child paid by said town or city per week for the transportation of children to and from school over the route by which such child is conveyed. Settlements of the accounts of the several towns and cities with the Commonwealth and with the city of Boston under this act shall be made annually on the first day of April, and the amounts found due shall be paid within three months thereafter. The money received by said towns and cities under the provisions of this section shall be applied to the support of schools."

Under the operation of this law, bills for the education of the class of children referred to, amounting to \$9,147.50, were audited by the State Board, and paid by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth. No bills for transportation were presented until after the close of the official year.

THE SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS OUTSIDE OF INSTITUTIONS.

The Legislature of 1897 passed an Act relative to the support of the poor in towns, which required every Overseer of the Poor to visit all town paupers at least once in three months, and to make a record of his visit and of the conditions of the paupers visited, and imposed a penalty of a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for any violation of the Act on the part of any Overseer of the Poor. The Board, as well as the municipal authorities, regarded the Act as too stringent, and as impracticable of execution in some of its provisions. The Board therefore recommended, in its last Annual Report, that the law be so amended as to provide that the Overseers of the Poor shall be required to visit the paupers supported by them outside of institutions twice in each year, either by one of their number, or by an agent; to keep records of such visits, with the terms and conditions of support agreed upon, certifying upon the records that in their opinion the paupers so boarded are properly provided for, and to make report of the same to the State Board of Lunacy and Charity twice in each official year; and that, in the event of failure on the part of the Overseers of the Poor of any town to make such reports within the year, the town shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars, the amount of such for-

feiture to be deducted from any money which may be due the town by the State.

The Legislature of 1898 passed the following Act : —

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUPPORT OF THE POOR IN TOWNS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

SECTION 1. In towns where paupers are provided for in families the overseers of the poor shall investigate each place where the town paupers are to be so provided for, and shall endeavor by contract to secure their proper care and maintenance. A full and complete record of each case shall be kept, showing the terms of the contract and what services, if any, are to be rendered to the paupers. A majority of the overseers of the poor shall certify upon the records that such investigation has been made in each case, and that they are satisfied that the paupers will be properly cared for. The overseers of the poor, either by one of their own number or by a duly appointed agent, shall, at least once in every six months, visit each place where the town paupers are supported, and a record of each visit and of the condition of the paupers visited shall be kept.

SECTION 2. The state board of lunacy and charity shall have authority to visit and inspect all places where town paupers are supported in families.

SECTION 3. Chapter three hundred and seventy-four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed. [*Approved May 5, 1898.*]

This leaves Overseers of the Poor without any necessary supervision in the matter, as the State Board is no longer required to visit the town paupers, and has no authority to inspect the records of the Overseers ; nor are the Overseers required to make any report or return to the Board.

MINOR CHILDREN SUPPORTED BY CITIES AND TOWNS.

Under the provisions of Public Statutes, Chapter 89, Section 53, the State Board is required as often as once a year to visit all minor children supported at the expense of any city or town, to inquire into the condition of such children, and make such other investigations in relation thereto as it may see fit, and for that purpose it may have private interviews with such children at any time.

According to reports made to the Board during the last official year 404 dependent children were supported by 70 different cities and towns in 81 cities and towns; the largest number in any one town being 28, and the smallest one. The lowest price paid for the board of such children was \$1 per week, the highest price was \$3.50, and the average, \$2. The homes of these children were visited, partly by the Auxiliary Visitors, and partly by the paid agents of the Board, careful inquiry being made in each instance regarding the condition of the children visited, and the care given them. In almost all cases the children appear to be comfortably placed and well cared for.

THE COUNTY TRUANT SCHOOLS.

It is provided by Acts of 1898, Chapter 496, Section 22, that "the county commissioners of each county, the counties of Barnstable, Berkshire, Dukes County and Nantucket excepted, shall establish and maintain either separately or conjointly with the commissioners of other counties as hereinafter provided, in a suitable place, not at or near a penal institution, a truant school for the instruction and training of persons committed thereto as habitual truants, absentees or school offenders. The county commissioners of two or more counties may at the expense of said counties establish and maintain a union truant school, to be organized and controlled by the chairmen of the county commissioners of said counties. The county commissioners of each of the counties excepted as aforesaid shall assign a truant school established by law as the place for the instruction and training of persons committed within their respective counties as habitual truants, absentees or school offenders, and shall pay for their support in said school such reasonable sum as the county commissioners having control of said school may determine. For the purpose of this act the parental school of the city of Boston, established under chapter two hundred and eighty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, shall be deemed the county truant school of the county of Suffolk, and the towns of Revere and Winthrop and the city of Chel-

sea shall for this purpose be considered as located within the county of Middlesex."

It is also provided (Section 23), that "County truant schools shall be subject to visitation by the state board of education and by the state board of lunacy and charity; and said boards shall report thereon annually to the legislature."

The Board has visited the several truant schools, but as the law did not go into effect until September 1, it is still too early to give very definite results.

The number of these schools was at first nine, as follows:—

Berkshire County Truant School, Becket.
 Essex County Truant School, Lawrence.
 Hampden County Truant School, Springfield.
 Hampshire and Franklin Counties Truant School, Goshen.
 Middlesex County Truant School, North Chelmsford.
 Norfolk, Bristol, and Plymouth Counties Truant School, Walpole.
 Plummer Farm School, Salem.
 Parental School, West Roxbury.
 Worcester County Truant School, Oakdale.

The schools at Goshen and Becket have been given up for lack of pupils, and truants from Berkshire County are now sent to the school at Springfield.

The Plummer School at Salem is not exclusively a truant school, but truants are committed there in small numbers. Of all these schools it may be said that they are comfortable, well managed homes, where the boys receive good care, good food, and kind treatment. The discipline is not severe, the school hours are short, and in most of them there is no regular manual training, although in most cases the boys do the housework.

The numbers of pupils at the several schools are reported as follows:—

Essex County School,	46
Hampden County School,	29
Middlesex County School,	105
Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth Counties School,	45
Plummer Farm School,	4
Parental School, West Roxbury,	153
Worcester County School,	37
Total,	419

The operation of the law of 1898 has done away with the objectionable feature of the law of 1894, which authorized the Courts to commit indigent and neglected children to truant schools. This is in accordance with repeated recommendations of the Board.

INCORPORATED CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

Public attention has recently been called to the following provision of the New York State constitution, which was adopted in 1894, and went into effect January 1, 1895: Article 8, Section 11. "The Legislature shall provide for a State Board of Charities, which shall visit and inspect all institutions whether State, county, municipal, incorporated or not incorporated, which are of a charitable, eleemosynary, correctional, or reformatory character, excepting only such institutions as are hereby made subject to the visitation and inspection of either of the Commissions hereinafter named (State Commission in Lunacy and State Commission of Prisons), but including all reformatories except those in which adult males convicted of felony shall be confined."

In accordance with the requirement of this Article, the New York Legislature of 1896 passed a law (Chapter 546 of the laws of 1896) providing for the continuance of a State Board of Charities composed of eleven members, and making it the duty of the Board to visit and inspect all the institutions referred to in the constitution. The immediate result of the operation of the law is seen in the recent Report of the New York State Board of Charities in two large volumes, the second of which consists of a full Directory of the Charities of the State, and the first, of a Report of Visitation and Inspection, with statistical tables, of twelve great State charitable institutions, eight institutions for the deaf, one for the blind, one for juveniles, sixty-four county, city and town almshouses, and over a thousand other institutions, societies and associations, including hospitals, dispensaries, homes, protectorates, orphan and other asylums, day nurseries, general and special relief societies, and other charitable organizations.

This Board has for some time had in mind the advisability of securing and publishing important information regarding

the organized charities of the State, and, while not in favor of so comprehensive a scheme as that adopted in New York, it is prepared to recommend that provision be made by the Legislature for annual reports to be made to the Board by all incorporated charitable societies and institutions in the Commonwealth.

THE BOARD'S FINANCES.

The following table shows the Legislative appropriations for expenses under the direction of the Board for the calendar year 1897, the expenses for the same year, the appropriations for the year 1898, and the estimates for the year 1899. The expenses for the year 1898 are not completed.

	Appropriations 1897	Expenses 1897	Appropriations 1898	Estimates 1899
Expenses of the Board, including travelling and other expenses of the members, and salaries and expenses in the office of the Clerk and Auditor (and salary of statistical clerk, \$1,800, for 1899),	\$6,000 00	\$5,711 09	\$5,000 00	\$7,000 00
Salaries and expenses in the Department of In-Door Poor (Division of State Adult Poor from July 1, 1898),	40,000 00	37,960 51	40,000 00*	35,000 00
Salaries and expenses in the Department of Out-Door Poor (Division of State Minor Wards from July 1, 1898),	25,000 00	24,998 68	27,000 00†	35,000 00
Salaries and expenses in the Department of Inspector of Institutions,	11,000 00	10,424 40	11,000 00	-
Travelling and other necessary expenses of Auxiliary Visitors,	1,500 00	1,251 16	1,400 00	1,400 00
Transportation of State paupers,	20,000 00	17,935 84	18,000 00	12,000 00
Support and relief of State paupers in State Lunatic Hospitals and Asylums, and of State lunatic paupers boarded in families; and reimbursement of towns for paupers supported in the State Lunatic Hospitals, for the current year, and previous years,	200,000 00	192,856 12	200,000 00	240,000 00
Care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children and juvenile offenders,	91,000 00	96,168 97‡	105,000 00	135,000 00
Education and instruction in the public schools of indigent and neglected children and juvenile offenders, for the current year and previous years,	12,000 00	5,909 50	8,000 00	12,000 00

* Division of State Adult Poor from July 1, \$17,550.00.

† Division of State Minor Wards from July 1, \$15,950.00.

‡ Deficiency.

	Appropriations 1897	Expenses 1897	Appropriations 1898	Estimates 1899
Support of State paupers in the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children,	\$8,500 00	\$11,627 32*	\$10,000 00	\$15,000 00
Support of sick State paupers, and cases of wife-settlement, by cities and towns, for the current year and previous years,	87,300 00	87,299 68	125,000 00	125,000 00
Burial of State paupers by cities and towns, for the current year and previous years,	10,000 00	9,750 48	10,000 00	10,000 00
Temporary aid for State paupers and shipwrecked seamen by cities and towns, for the current year and previous years,	40,000 00	40,000 00	50,000 00	50,000 00
Support of State pauper infants,	20,000 00	29,814 49*	32,000 00	35,000 00
Expenses incurred in connection with small-pox and other diseases dangerous to the public health, for the current year and previous years,	3,000 00	2,999 66	3,000 00	3,000 00
	\$584,300 00	\$574,707 90	\$645,400 00	\$715,400 00

* Deficiency.

NOTE. — The increase in the estimate for the appropriation for expenses of the Board, etc., is on account of the operation of the law establishing a State Board of Insanity, which left the pauper statistical work with the State Board of Charity, and involved the transfer of the statistical officer formerly employed in the Department of Inspector of Institutions to the Clerk's Office. The Department of In-Door Poor became the Division of State Adult Poor July 1, 1898, with a smaller number of employees than before; a smaller appropriation for salaries and expenses was required for the rest of the year, and a correspondingly smaller estimate is made for the year 1899. The Department of Out-Door Poor became the Division of State Minor Wards July 1, 1898, with a larger number of employees than before; and a larger appropriation for salaries and expenses was required for the rest of the year. A correspondingly larger estimate is necessary for the year 1899, and the estimate is still further increased by the addition of the salary and travelling expenses of another visitor demanded by the larger number of children to care for and visit. The appropriation for salaries and expenses in the Department of Inspector of Institutions will no longer be required, — the work of that Department, with the exception of the pauper statistical work, having been merged in the State Board of Insanity. The decrease in the estimate for the appropriation for the transportation of State paupers is due to the operation of the law establishing a State Board of Insanity, which transfers to that Board the transportation of insane paupers, and leaves with the State Board of Charity the transportation of sane paupers only. The increase in the estimate for the appropria-

tion for the support and relief of State paupers at State insane hospitals and asylums, etc., is owing to the estimated deficiency of the current year, and the larger number of insane to care for and maintain at the public expense. The increase in the estimates for appropriations for the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children and juvenile offenders, and the support of pauper infants, is explainable by the estimated deficiencies in each instance, and the continually increasing numbers of children of both these classes to be supported at the expense of the Commonwealth. The increase in the estimate for the appropriation for the education and instruction in the public schools of indigent and neglected children and juvenile offenders is not only because the appropriation for the year 1898 has proved insufficient, but also because the last Legislature provided for payment by the State of the transportation of State children to and from the public schools. The increase in the estimate for the appropriation for the support of State paupers in the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children, is owing to the large estimated deficiency of the current year.

The expenses for the official year, — October 1, 1897, to September 30, 1898, — were as follows : —

Expenses of Board,	\$5,382 81
Department of In-Door Poor (to June 30),	28,914 82
Department of Out-Door Poor (to June 30),	19,326 97
Division of State Adult Poor (from July 1),	7,877 73
Division of State Minor Wards (from July 1),	8,007 07
Department of Inspector of Institutions,	11,577 17
Auxiliary Visitors,	1,226 22
Transportation of State Paupers,	16,805 07
State Lunatic Hospitals, etc.,	199,342 15
Indigent and Neglected Children, etc.,	108,234 62
Education of State Children,	9,147 50
Support of Feeble-Minded, etc.,	13,628 87
Support of Sick State Paupers,	93,731 55
Burial of State Paupers,	7,851 33
Temporary Aid of State Paupers,	32,019 52
Support of Pauper Infants,	31,675 88
Dangerous Diseases,	2,122 63
Total,	<u><u>\$596,871 91</u></u>

DETAILS.

EXPENSES OF THE BOARD.

Salaries :

John D. Wells, <i>Clerk of the Board</i> ,	\$2,425 00
Henry J. Jenner, <i>Assistant</i> ,	500 00
Albert A. Carlton, <i>Visitor</i> ,	250 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i> ,	<u>\$3,175 00</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,175 00
Travelling expenses of members,	748 80
Printing,	230 58
Stationery,	176 50
Postage, telegrams, and expressage,	260 85
Publications,	199 23
Travel of Visitor,	402 80
Extra service and miscellaneous expenses,	189 05
Total,	\$5,382 81

DEPARTMENT OF IN-DOOR POOR.

(From October 1, 1897, to June 30, 1898.)

Salaries:

Stephen C. Wrightington, <i>Superintendent,</i>	\$2,400 00
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Central Division.

Joshua F. Lewis, M.D., <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	1,350 00
Henry H. Fairbanks, <i>Clerk,</i>	900 00
Thomas M. Doane, <i>Transportation Officer,</i>	750 00
Emma T. Cornish, <i>Transportation Officer,</i>	525 00
Emma S. White, <i>Clerk,</i>	750 00
Charles A. Colcord, <i>Settlement Clerk,</i>	900 00
Edward F. Morgan, <i>Clerk,</i>	750 00
Mary J. Breslin, <i>Clerk,</i>	525 00
Annette E. Barnes, <i>Clerk,</i>	450 00
Berndt F. Heurlin, <i>Clerk,</i>	450 00
Patrick Glynn, <i>Messenger,</i>	600 00

Division of Visitation.

Bertha W. Jacobs, <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	1,125 00
George H. Hull, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Charles K. Morton, <i>Visitor,</i>	900 00
Thomas P. Bagley, <i>Visitor,</i>	900 00
Frederick G. Southmayd, <i>Visitor,</i>	732 26
G. Frederick Davis, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Edward W. Bowker, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
William W. Foster, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
David Walker, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Nathan Coe, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Henry L. Gardner, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Mary S. Beale, <i>Visitor,</i>	900 00
E. Mabel Tyler, <i>Visitor,</i>	525 00
Lucy B. Hancock, <i>Visitor,</i>	675 00

<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$21,357 26
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$21,357 26
Alice A. Page, <i>Visitor,</i>	500 00
Ellen L. Lynch, <i>Clerk,</i>	450 00
Lilla D. Baker, <i>Clerk,</i>	525 00
Annie A. McBride, <i>Clerk,</i>	525 00
Annie E. Hancock, <i>Visitor,</i>	450 00
Mary Agnes Perrault, <i>Visitor,</i>	525 00
Grace F. Ordway, <i>Visitor,</i>	450 00
Florence Faden, <i>Visitor,</i>	400 00
Total salaries,	\$25,182 26
Printing,	20 47
Stationery,	604 66
Postage, expressage, telegrams, and telephone,	825 73
Publications,	111 53
Extra service, and miscellaneous expenses,	353 60
Travelling and other expenses of Superintendent,	359 95
Travelling expenses:	
Joshua F. Lewis,	\$714 17
Emma S. White,	28 95
Edward F. Morgan,	481 81
Berndt F. Heurlin,	231 69
	1,456 62
Total Department of In-Door Poor,	\$28,914 82

DEPARTMENT OF OUT-DOOR POOR.

(From October 1, 1897, to June 30, 1898.)

Salaries:

William P. Derby, M.D., <i>Superintendent,</i>	\$1,875 00
George B. Tufts, <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	1,350 00
Edwin F. Cummings, M.D., <i>Medical Visitor,</i>	1,125 00
Sarah M. Crawford, M.D., <i>Medical Visitor,</i>	1,125 00
Edward I. White, <i>Visitor,</i>	1,050 00
Frederick A. Burt, <i>Visitor,</i>	1,050 00
Willard D. Tripp, <i>Visitor,</i>	975 00
Henry D. Hawkes, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Benjamin W. Peck, <i>Visitor,</i>	900 00
William J. Hinchcliffe, <i>Visitor,</i>	825 00
Harry H. Pray, <i>Visitor,</i>	750 00
Albert A. Carlton, <i>Visitor,</i>	500 00
Robina A. Morison, <i>Clerk,</i>	600 00
Annie F. Merrill, <i>Clerk,</i>	525 00
Georgiana C. Faden, <i>Clerk,</i>	500 00
Eleanor A. Eames, <i>Clerk,</i>	525 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$14,425 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$14,425 00
Emma W. Kelley, <i>Clerk;</i>	525 00
Justine D. Ferris, <i>Clerk,</i>	450 00
Total salaries,	\$15,400 00
Printing,	493 05
Stationery,	400 17
Postage, expressage, telegrams, and telephone,	424 48
Publications,	20 00
Extra service, and miscellaneous expenses,	38 73
Visitors' travelling expenses:	
Edward I. White,	\$455 00
Willard D. Tripp,	386 07
Henry D. Hawkes,	360 00
Benjamin W. Peck,	481 00
William J. Hinchcliffe,	186 25
Frederick A. Burt,	49 70
Harry H. Pray,	384 25
Albert A. Carlton,	248 27
	<u>2,550 54</u>
Total Department of Out-Door Poor,	<u>\$19,326 97</u>

DIVISION OF STATE ADULT POOR.

(From July 1, 1898, to September 30, 1898.)

Salaries:

Stephen C. Wrightington, <i>Superintendent,</i>	\$800 00
Joshua F. Lewis, M.D., <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	450 00
George B. Tufts, <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	450 00
Henry H. Fairbanks, <i>Clerk,</i>	300 00
Thomas M. Doane, <i>Transportation Officer,</i>	250 00
Charles A. Colcord, <i>Settlement Clerk,</i>	300 00
Edward F. Morgan, <i>Clerk,</i>	250 00
Berndt F. Heurlin, <i>Visitor,</i>	225 00
Edward I. White, <i>Visitor,</i>	350 00
Willard D. Tripp, <i>Visitor,</i>	325 00
Benjamin W. Peck, <i>Visitor,</i>	300 00
William J. Hinchcliffe, <i>Visitor,</i>	275 00
Henry D. Hawkes, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Harry H. Pray, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Emma S. White, <i>Clerk,</i>	250 00
Emma T. Cornish, <i>Transportation Officer,</i>	175 00
Robina A. Morison, <i>Clerk,</i>	200 00
Annie A. McBride, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00

Amount carried forward, \$5,575 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$5,575 00
Lilla D Baker, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00
Mary J. Breslin, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00
Annette E. Barnes, <i>Clerk,</i>	150 00
Patrick Glynn, <i>Messenger,</i>	200 00
Morris Lipp, <i>Messenger,</i>	52 00
William A. Mudge, <i>Messenger,</i>	25 00
Total salaries,	\$6,352 00
Printing,	41 05
Stationery,	154 39
Postage, expressage, telegrams, and telephone,	189 50
Publications,	76 75
Extra service and miscellaneous expenses,	91 73
Travelling and other expenses of superintendent,	160 50
Visitors' travel:	
Joshua F. Lewis,	\$209 15
Edward I. White,	120 00
Benjamin W. Peck,	85 00
Berndt F. Heurlin,	41 31
William J. Hinchcliffe,	79 72
Edward F. Morgan,	37 46
Henry D. Hawkes,	75 00
Emma S. White,	14 81
William D. Tripp,	89 76
Harry H. Pray,	59 60
	811 81
Total Division of State Adult Poor,	\$7,877 73

DIVISION OF STATE MINOR WARDS.

(From July 1, 1898, to September 30, 1898.)

Salaries:

William P. Derby, M.D., <i>Superintendent,</i>	\$625 00
Bertha W. Jacobs, <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	375 00
Sarah M. Crawford, M.D., <i>Deputy Superintendent,</i>	375 00
Edwin F. Cummings, M.D., <i>Medical Visitor,</i>	375 00
Charles K. Morton, <i>Visitor,</i>	300 00
Frederick A. Burt, <i>Visitor,</i>	350 00
Frederick G. Southmayd, <i>Visitor,</i>	100 00
Thomas P. Bagley, <i>Visitor,</i>	300 00
George H. Hull, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Nathan Coe, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
David Walker, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
G. Frederick Davis, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00

Amount carried forward, \$3,800 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,800 00
Edward W. Bowker, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Henry L. Gardner, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
William W. Foster, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Albert A. Carlton, <i>Visitor,</i>	250 00
Mary S. Beale, <i>Visitor,</i>	300 00
Lucy B. Hancock, <i>Visitor,</i>	225 00
Emma W. Kelley, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00
E. Mabel Tyler, <i>Visitor,</i>	175 00
Emma A. Eames, <i>Clerk,</i>	58 33
Georgiana C. Faden, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00
Alice A. Page, <i>Visitor,</i>	175 00
Mary Agnes Perrault, <i>Visitor,</i>	175 00
Annie F. Merrill, <i>Clerk,</i>	175 00
Ellen L. Lynch, <i>Clerk,</i>	150 00
Annie E. Hancock, <i>Visitor,</i>	150 00
Grace F. Ordway, <i>Visitor,</i>	150 00
Florence Faden, <i>Visitor,</i>	150 00
Justine D. Ferris, <i>Clerk,</i>	150 00
Mary R. Cady, <i>Clerk,</i>	148 39
Andrew Faden, <i>Messenger,</i>	18 87
Alfred S. Johnston, <i>Messenger,</i>	7 13
Marion Chapin, <i>Visitor,</i>	20 00
Joseph McIntire, <i>Messenger,</i>	13 00
Total salaries,	\$7,390 72
Printing,	240 26
Stationery,	59 58
Postage, expressage, telegrams, and telephone,	215 76
Publications,	13 25
Extra service and miscellaneous expenses,	12 50
Superintendent's travel,	75 00
Total Division of State Minor Wards,	\$8,007 07

DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR OF INSTITUTIONS.

Salaries:

Charles E. Woodbury, M.D., <i>Inspector,</i>	\$3,000 00
Henry C. Prentiss, M.D., <i>Deputy Inspector,</i>	1,800 00
Henry A. Purdie, <i>Clerk,</i>	1,000 00
Sarah Chapman, <i>Clerk,</i>	800 00
Sadie L. Powers, <i>Clerk,</i>	700 00
Annie Alden Folger, <i>Visitor,</i>	675 00
Helen E. Bull, <i>Visitor,</i>	54 19
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$8,029 19

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$8,029 19
Martha E. Lovell, <i>Visitor,</i>	230 00
Mary G. Canty, <i>Clerk,</i>	188 32
Total salaries,	<u>\$8,447 51</u>
Printing,	170 87
Stationery,	262 38
Postage, expressage, telegrams, and telephone,	138 24
Publications,	80 14
Miscellaneous expenses,	21 34
Travelling expenses:	
Charles E. Woodbury,	\$741 92
Henry C. Prentiss,	191 81
Henry A. Purdie,	74 87
Helen E. Bull,	118 83
Annie A. Folger,	745 31
Martha E. Lovell,	280 52
	<u>2,153 26</u>
Miscellaneous expenses on account of insane boarded out,	303 43
Total Department of Inspector of Institutions,	<u><u>\$11,577 17</u></u>

AUXILIARY VISITORS.

Travelling and other expenses,	<u><u>\$1,226 22</u></u>
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TRANSPORTATION OF STATE PAUPERS.

Travelling expenses of officers:	
Thomas M. Doane,	\$965 86
Emma T. Cornish,	501 72
Charles E. Colcord,	97 66
Berndt F. Heurlin,	2 63
	<u>\$1,567 87</u>
Foreign fares,	7,980 54
Inland fares,	3,765 90
Carriage and express,	897 18
Food and lodging,	582 95
Assistance and miscellaneous expenses,	1,494 23
Transportation to State Almshouse,	516 40
Total,	<u><u>\$16,805 07</u></u>

STATE LUNATIC HOSPITALS, ETC.

Support of State Patients:

Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	\$27,702 34
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	25,851 05
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	37,278 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u><u>\$90,832 14</u></u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$90,832 14
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	9,386 08
Worcester Insane Asylum,	17,804 53
Westborough Insane Hospital,	22,104 26
Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates,	12,510 21
Medfield Insane Asylum,	29,826 05
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics,	482 40
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	\$182,945 67
Insane boarded out,	4,946 32
Reimbursement of towns,	11,450 16
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Total,	<u><u>\$199,342 15</u></u>

INDIGENT AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN, ETC.

Board, clothing, etc.,	\$92,342 53
Mrs. Bean's,	1,861 36
Mrs. White's,	3,361 24
Travelling expenses of visitors:	
Bertha W. Jacobs,	\$73 04
George H. Hull,	340 43
Charles K. Morton,	895 37
Thomas P. Bagley,	339 35
Frederick G. Southmayd,	386 35
David Walker,	846 36
Nathan Coe,	1,002 30
Henry L. Gardner,	1,064 16
Edward W. Bowker,	119 40
G. Frederick Davis,	671 25
William W. Foster,	988 88
Mary S. Beale,	496 26
Lucy B. Hancock,	552 77
Alice A. Page,	305 84
E. Mabel Tyler,	292 49
Mary A. Perrault,	502 84
Annie E. Hancock,	637 13
Grace F. Ordway,	716 60
Florence Faden,	426 07
Marion Chapin,	12 60
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	10,669 49
Total,	<u><u>\$108,234 62</u></u>

EDUCATION OF STATE CHILDREN.

City and town bills,	<u><u>\$9,147 50</u></u>
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SUPPORT OF FEEBLE-MINDED, ETC.

Custodial cases in Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded,	\$11,206 45
Cases in Hospital Cottages for Children,	2,422 42
Total,	<u>\$13,628 87</u>

SUPPORT OF SICK STATE PAUPERS.

City and town bills of 1892,	\$13 10
" " " 1893,	49 03
" " " 1894,	172 12
" " " 1895,	981 20
" " " 1896,	8,119 68
" " " 1897,	77,163 81
" " " 1898,	7,232 61
Total,	<u>\$93,731 55</u>

BURIAL OF STATE PAUPERS.

City and town bills of 1893,	\$15 00
" " " 1894,	29 00
" " " 1895,	158 15
" " " 1896,	371 00
" " " 1897,	6,051 33
" " " 1898,	1,226 85
Total,	<u>\$7,851 33</u>

TEMPORARY AID OF STATE PAUPERS.

City and town bills of 1893,	\$4 06
" " " 1894,	21 36
" " " 1895,	52 64
" " " 1896,	2,050 82
" " " 1897,	19,708 19
" " " 1898,	3,982 41
	<u>\$25,819 48</u>
Foreign fares,	4,987 96
Inland fares,	838 53
Carriage and express,	276 78
Food and lodging,	76 72
Miscellaneous,	20 05
Total,	<u>\$32,019 52</u>

PAUPER INFANTS.

Board of infants,	\$25,880 37
Medicine, medical attendance, clothing, etc.,	3,483 99
Expenses of nursery,	1,295 03
Travel of visitors:	
Sarah M. Crawford,	\$348 00
Edwin F. Cummings,	216 54
Frederick A. Burt,	366 95
Albert A. Carlton,	85 00
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	1,016 49
Total,	<hr/> <hr/> \$31,675 88

DANGEROUS DISEASES.

City and town bills of 1896,	\$178 05
" " " 1897,	1,635 86
" " " 1898,	308 72
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Total,	<hr/> <hr/> \$2,122 63

The above details may be classified as follows:—

Salaries,	\$65,947 49
Travelling expenses,	23,199 35
Printing,	1,196 28
Stationery,	1,657 68
Other office expenses,	3,262 41
Support of State minor wards,	137,372 02
Transportation,	15,237 20
Support of insane and feeble-minded,	172,861 17
Support of State out-door poor,	176,138 31
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	<hr/> <hr/> \$596,871 91

It is to be added that the Board has received during the year from sundry individuals the sum of \$510.72, on account of the support of pauper infants; from the United States, for reimbursement of immigration expenses, the sum of \$1,663.46; and from sundry Steamship Companies, for the support of alien immigrants, the sum of \$403.97; making a total of \$2,578.15, which has all been transmitted to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth.

IMMIGRATION.

The agreement made, March 28, 1894, between the State Board and the Treasury Department of the United States, in the matter of the support of alien immigrants, is still in force. By the terms of the contract the Commonwealth is reimbursed from the immigrant fund, created by head-tax collections, for the support of such alien immigrants as have entered the State, and fallen into serious distress, and become a public charge, within one year from their landing in the country, — such distress having arisen from causes existing subsequent to their landing. In cases where the causes of distress existed prior to landing, it is the duty of the Steamship Companies bringing the immigrants into the United States to carry them back again, and also to reimburse the State for the expense of their support. In both instances the claim, if finally established, is allowed from the date of the first notice by the State Board to the United States Commissioner of Immigration for the ports of Massachusetts.

Under the provisions of the contract the Board received and transmitted to the State Treasurer, during the last official year, sums amounting to \$2,067.43, — \$1,663.46 from the immigrant fund, and \$403.97 from sundry Steamship Companies. There were 113 cases allowed, namely, 85 as charges against the immigrant fund, and 28 as charges against the Steamship Companies; — the immigrants whose expense was paid for by the Steamship Companies being deported by those Companies to the ports whence they sailed. The 113 cases were provided for as follows: — 31 in the State Almshouse; 1 in the State Farm; 6 in Worcester Lunatic Hospital; 1 in Danvers Lunatic Hospital; 1 in Westborough Insane Hospital; 40 in Boston City Hospital; 5 in Boston Carney Hospital; 5 in Worcester Hospital; 2 in Lynn Hospital; 2 in Fall River Hospital; 1 in Holyoke Hospital; 2 in Newton Hospital; 1 in Salem Hospital; 4 in Malden Hospital; 1 in Fitchburg Hospital; 2 in Lawrence Hospital; 2 in New Bedford Hospital; 4 in Springfield Hospital; 2 in Lowell Hospital.

Statistics of Immigration.

The following statistics have been obtained from the Commissioner of Immigration for the ports of Massachusetts.

ARRIVALS AT THE PORTS OF MASSACHUSETTS FROM FOREIGN PORTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1898.

NATIONALITY OF VESSELS.	Number of vessels.	Number of passengers.	Number barred from landing.	Number of deaths.
British,	806	51,376	66	1
American,	8	375	—	—
Others,	27	718	2	—
Total,	841	52,469	68	1

CLASSIFICATION OF PASSENGERS ARRIVING AT THE PORTS OF MASSACHUSETTS FROM FOREIGN PORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1898.

Aliens from Transatlantic Ports (landed),	13,058
American Citizens from Transatlantic Ports,	4,580
Aliens from Dominion of Canada (landed),	18,455
American Citizens from Dominion of Canada,	12,740
Tourists and Visitors from Transatlantic Ports,	577
Cattlemen from Transatlantic Ports,	2,991
Barred from landing from Transatlantic Ports,	60
Barred from landing from Dominion of Canada,	8
Total,	52,469

CLASSIFICATION OF PASSENGERS ARRIVING AT THE PORT OF BOSTON
FROM TRANSATLANTIC PORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER
30, 1898.

Steerage,	12,602
Intermediate,	2,817
Cabin,	2,705
Cattlemen,	2,991
Stowaways,	151
Total,	21,266

Immigration at the Port of Boston from Transatlantic Ports for the year ending September 30, 1898.

NATIONALITY.	IMMIGRANTS.					RELIEVED IN HOSPITAL.
	TOTAL.	SEX.		AGE.		
		Males.	Females.	Under 15 years.	15 to 40 40 and over.	
<i>Europe.</i>						
Austria-Hungary:						
Galicia and Bukovina,	25	16	9	-	25	-
Other Austria,	106	58	48	6	96	4
Hungary,	16	12	4	-	16	1
Belgium,	6	6	-	-	6	-
Denmark,	170	100	70	10	142	18
France (including Corsica),	63	31	32	6	47	10
Germany,	160	102	48	17	120	13
Greece,	1	1	-	-	1	-
Italy,	11	10	1	1	8	2
Netherlands,	15	4	11	-	14	1
Norway,	16	16	-	-	225	20
Portugal,	269	163	116	24	2	1
Romania,	8	8	-	-	1	-
Russia (proper),	1	-	1	-	1	-
Finland,	523	368	165	110	361	62
Poland,	203	122	81	16	176	11
Spain,	137	104	33	9	114	14
Sweden,	9	7	2	-	8	1
Switzerland,	1,616	637	979	139	1,262	125
Turkey in Europe,	6	3	3	-	4	2
United Kingdom:	2	1	1	-	1	1
England,	3,232	1,617	1,615	533	2,309	370
Ireland,	6,778	2,318	3,455	290	6,223	260
Scotland,	685	281	304	90	430	65
Wales,	19	12	7	-	17	2
Total Europe,	13,640	5,965	6,885	1,271	10,595	974
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Immigration at the Port of Boston from Transatlantic Ports for the year ending September 30, 1898 — Continued.

NATIONALITY.	IMMIGRANTS.						
	TOTAL.	SEX.		AGE.			RELIEVED IN HOSPITAL.
		Males.	Females.	Under 15 years.	15 to 40.	40 and over.	
Nicaragua,	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
Central America, not specified,	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
Total Central America,	2	2	-	-	2	-	-
Quebec and Ontario,	94	71	23	-	87	7	-
Nova Scotia,	12	10	2	-	12	-	1
New Brunswick,	8	7	1	-	8	-	-
Prince Edward Island,	7	7	-	-	7	-	-
British Columbia,	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
Newfoundland and Labrador,	3	3	-	-	3	-	1
Total British North American Possessions,	125	99	26	-	118	7	2
Cuba,	45	25	20	4	34	7	-
Other West Indies,	30	22	8	2	27	1	-
South America,	2	1	1	1	1	1	-
Turkey in Asia (Arabia and Syria),	7	5	2	-	6	-	1
Japan,	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
Australia,	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
Africa,	5	3	2	-	5	-	-
Grand total,	13,058	6,114	6,944	1,278	10,790	990	102

Immigration at the Port of Boston from Transatlantic Ports for the year ending September 30, 1898 — Continued.

NATIONALITY.	IMMIGRANTS.						Total amount of money brought.	Returned within one year after landing.
	DEBARRED.		ILLITERACY OF PERSONS OVER 14 YEARS.		NO. OF PERSONS OVER 20 YEARS BRINGING—			
	Insane persons.	Paupers, or likely to become public charge.	Contract laborers.	Can neither read nor write.	Can neither read nor write.	Less than \$30.		
<i>Europe.</i>								
Austria-Hungary:								
Galicia and Bukowina,	-	1	-	-	9	1	\$415	-
Other Austria,	-	-	-	-	9	6	645	-
Hungary,	-	-	-	-	1	1	600	-
Belgium,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Denmark,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
France (including Corsica),	1	-	-	-	15	46	1,559	1
Germany,	-	-	-	-	17	8	610	-
Greece,	4	-	-	5	23	57	8,519	-
Italy,	-	-	-	-	-	1	17	-
Netherlands,	-	-	-	-	3	3	120	-
Norway,	1	-	-	-	4	-	197	-
Portugal,	-	-	-	-	27	101	4,673	-
Roumania,	-	-	-	-	-	1	29	-
Russia (proper),	11	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Finland,	3	-	2	102	31	287	3,909	-
Poland,	-	-	-	7	20	131	2,060	1
Spain,	-	-	-	22	6	100	1,061	-
Sweden,	1	-	-	-	3	-	148	-
Switzerland,	-	-	-	-	150	1,044	19,252	-
Turkey in Europe,	-	-	-	-	1	-	80	-
United Kingdom:	-	-	-	1	-	1	8	-
England,	16	2	2	23	242	1,398	22,333	6
Ireland,	9	-	-	178	339	3,998	73,980	7
Scotland,	4	-	-	7	106	177	18,273	-
Wales,	-	-	-	-	4	5	416	-
Total Europe,	2	51	5	369	1,004	7,121	\$158,934	15

Destination of Immigrants arriving at Boston.

STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Males.	Females.	STATES AND TERRITORIES.	Males.	Females.
<i>North Atlantic Division.</i>			<i>North Central Division — Concluded.</i>		
Maine,	80	121	Nebraska,	14	11
New Hampshire,	106	185	Kansas,	14	11
Vermont,	15	29	Total,	461	361
Massachusetts,	4,353	5,360	<i>South Central Division.</i>		
Rhode Island,	329	369	Kentucky,	2	2
Connecticut,	65	42	Tennessee,	2	1
New York,	521	392	Alabama,	2	1
New Jersey,	14	10	Mississippi,	-	2
Pennsylvania,	86	61	Louisiana,	3	1
Total,	5,569	6,519	Texas,	4	4
<i>South Atlantic Division.</i>			Total,	13	11
Maryland,	8	1	<i>Western Division.</i>		
District of Columbia,	1	-	Montana,	6	2
Virginia,	2	-	Wyoming,	1	-
South Carolina,	-	1	Colorado,	5	6
Georgia,	1	-	New Mexico,	2	3
Florida,	3	1	Arizona,	1	3
Total,	15	3	Utah,	1	2
<i>North Central Division.</i>			Nevada,	3	-
Ohio,	40	24	Idaho,	-	3
Indiana,	9	5	Washington,	15	13
Illinois,	175	162	Oregon,	3	1
Michigan,	35	34	California,	19	17
Wisconsin,	9	12	Total,	56	50
Minnesota,	106	60	RECAPITULATION.		
Iowa,	19	19	North Atlantic Division,	5,569	6,519
Missouri,	14	4	South Atlantic Division,	15	3
North Dakota,	19	14	North Central Division,	461	361
South Dakota,	7	5	South Central Division,	13	11
			Western Division,	56	50
			Total,	6,114	6,944

Occupations of Immigrants arriving at Boston.

	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.
<i>Professional.</i>			<i>Skilled — Concluded.</i>		
Actors,	1	1	Saddlers and harnessmak- ers,	3	-
Artists,	6	-	Seamstresses,	-	29
Clergy,	28	-	Shoemakers,	57	2
Engravers,	5	1	Spinners,	23	6
Lawyers,	12	-	Stonecutters,	12	-
Musicians,	5	1	Tailors,	101	6
Physicians,	14	-	Tanners and curriers, . .	1	-
Teachers,	10	12	Tinners,	5	-
All other, not specified, .	22	36	Tobacco manufacturers, .	12	2
Total professional, . . .	103	51	Watch and clock makers, .	8	-
<i>Skilled.</i>			Weavers,	101	100
Accountants, etc., . . .	8	2	All other, not specified, .	77	18
Bakers,	40	-	Total skilled,	1,216	292
Barbers and hairdressers, .	9	-	<i>Miscellaneous.</i>		
Blacksmiths,	43	-	Agents, factors,	28	-
Brewers,	3	-	Bankers,	1	-
Butchers,	27	-	Cooks,	6	30
Cabinetmakers,	13	-	Farmers,	280	-
Carpenters and joiners, . .	79	-	Grocers,	16	-
Clerks,	178	11	Hotel-keepers,	3	-
Coopers,	5	-	Laborers,	2,414	-
Dressmakers,	2	103	Merchants, dealers, . . .	137	1
Engineers,	60	-	Servants,	40	3,934
Gardeners,	28	1	All other, not stated, . .	317	121
Glaziers,	1	-	Total miscellaneous, . .	3,242	4,066
Iron workers,	24	-	No occupation, including women and children, . .	1,563	2,515
Jewelers,	4	-	Total,	1,563	2,515
Locksmiths,	2	-	<i>RECAPITULATION.</i>		
Machinists,	29	1	Professional,	103	51
Mariners,	92	-	Skilled,	1,216	292
Masons,	19	-	Miscellaneous,	3,242	4,066
Mechanics, not specified, .	19	-	No occupation,	1,563	2,515
Millers,	5	-	Total,	6,114	6,944
Miners,	28	-			
Painters,	59	-			
Plasterers,	1	-			
Plumbers,	19	-			
Printers,	19	-			

In addition to the above, 17 alien immigrants who arrived at the port of New York, and one who arrived by way of Montreal, were returned to the countries whence they came. One male who landed at the port of New Bedford, 18 males and 23 females who arrived at the port of

New York, 3 males who landed at the port of Montreal, and one male and one female who landed at the port of Philadelphia, were relieved in the hospitals.

Statistics of Immigration at the Port of New Bedford during the Year.

The whole number of passengers, — all taxable immigrants, — arriving was 220, all of whom were Portuguese; 121 were males, 99 females; 28 were under 15 years of age; 180 between 15 and 40; and 12 over 40. Their destinations were as follows: Massachusetts, 152; Maine, 2; Rhode Island, 46; New York, 5; New Hampshire, 2; Connecticut, 6; California, 4; North Carolina, 3. Their occupations: laborers, 23; servants, 43; mariners, 47; seamstresses, 30; dressmakers, 1; no occupation, 76. Total on whom a head tax has been collected, 220.

Statistics of Immigration at the Port of Gloucester during the Year.

The whole number of passengers arriving, — all taxable immigrants, — was 5; all natives of Newfoundland. Of these, 4 were males, and 1 female, — all between the ages of 15 and 40. Their destination was Massachusetts; their occupations not stated.

Statistics of Immigration at the Port of Provincetown during the Year.

The number of passengers arriving was 49, all Portuguese; 46 of them were males, 3 females; 2 were under 15 years of age, 45 were between 15 and 40, 2 were over 40. Their destinations were as follows: Massachusetts, 13; Rhode Island, 4; California, 32. Their occupations: shoemakers, 2; servants, 2; farmers, 44; no occupation, 1.

The amount of Head Money collected at the Ports of Massachusetts during the year was as follows: —

BOSTON.

1897.							
October,							\$1,344
November,							577
December,							482
1898.							
January,							233
February,							406
March,							633
April,							1,625
May,							2,323
June,							1,154
July,							985
August,							1,321
September,							2,615
Total,							<u>\$13,698</u>
New Bedford,							220
Gloucester,							5
Provincetown,							<u>49</u>
Total,							<u>\$13,972</u>

The following statement shows the number of alien immigrants arriving at the port of Boston from transatlantic ports in each official year from May 10, 1848, when State supervision began, to the close of the last official year, September 30, 1898:—

1848,	13,927	1861,	5,091
1849,	29,518	1862,	2,196
1850,	24,739	1863,	5,316
1851,	23,307	1864,	5,830
1852,	19,618	1865,	7,057
1853,	21,206	1866,	11,527
1854,	24,229	1867,	11,266
1855,	14,408	1868,	15,128
1856,	14,022	1869,	26,414
1857,	12,536	1870,	30,069
1858,	4,551	1871,	22,904
1859,	7,096	1872,	25,957
1860,	7,874	1873,	31,042

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1874,	20,223	1888,	43,351
1875,	13,468	1889,	33,979
1876,	8,118	1890,	30,802
1877,	5,765	1891,	31,556
1878,	.	.	.	.	6,471	1892,	.	.	.	.	31,234
1879,	.	.	.	.	10,895	1893,	.	.	.	.	28,143
1880,	.	.	.	.	33,626	1894,	.	.	.	.	14,673
1881,	.	.	.	.	43,642	1895,	.	.	.	.	23,508
1882,	.	.	.	.	52,416	1896,	.	.	.	.	18,274
1883,	.	.	.	.	42,884	1897,	.	.	.	.	12,765
1884,	.	.	.	.	30,030	1898,	.	.	.	.	13,058
1885,	.	.	.	.	19,929						
1886,	.	.	.	.	28,512	Total,	.	.	.	.	1,054,065
1887,	.	.	.	.	40,415						

Statement furnished by the United States Treasury Department, showing Collections and Disbursements at the Ports of Massachusetts, on Account of Expenses of Regulating Immigration during Each Fiscal Year, from August 3, 1883, to June 30, 1898, and to October 1, 1898.

		1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.
Boston, . . .	{ Collections, .	\$20,452 00	\$17,526 50	\$9,468 50	\$12,529 50	\$18,409 50	\$22,819 00	\$17,818 50	\$13,030 00	\$17,642 50
	{ Disbursements, .	152 00	10,681 39	3,340 20	12,703 30	12,085 67	19,171 26	17,425 16	26,276 77	29,080 77
Barnstable, . .	. Collections, .	-	-	34 50	24 50	25 50	30 00	32 00	24 50	5 00
Edgartown, . .	. Collections, .	5 50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gloucester, . .	. Collections, .	42 00	74 50	2 00	-	-	-	-	1 00	2 00
Marblehead, . .	. Collections, .	12 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Bedford, . .	. Collections, .	133 50	187 50	190 50	174 50	-	399 00	306 00	241 00	475 50
Salem and Beverly, .	. Collections, .	5 50	3 50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD.

The Board here presents a summary of its official proceedings from the time of issuing the last Annual Report.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, January 1, 1898.

Report of Committee on Inspection of Institutions, showing visits made to Westborough Insane Hospital, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and Worcester Insane Asylum.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for transfers of certain inmates of State Institutions; (2) ordering commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Westborough Insane Hospital until further order.

Report of Committee on Charities; Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including one adoption; and the appointment of Sarah Howard, of Wakefield, as Auxiliary Visitor.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Appointment of the Chairman, Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Fox, Mr. Pratt, and Mr. Lincoln, as a Committee to appear before any Committees of the Legislature on matters of concern to the Board.

Appointment of Florence Faden to permanent service in the visitation division of the Department of In-Door Poor.

Receipt of communication from Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm, accepting and adopting the Board's suggestion with regard to providing an additional number of nurses in the women's hospital and maternity wards of the State Almshouse.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, February 5, 1898.

Report of Committee on Inspection of Institutions, showing visits made to Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Worcester Insane Hospital, Medfield Insane Asylum, and the State Industrial School.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for transfers from the State Lunatic Hospitals to the Medfield In-

sane Asylum, so as to increase the number at that Institution to one thousand; (2) renewing the recommendation of the Board to the Trustees of the Medfield Insane Asylum that they place electric lights about the grounds of the Institution; (3) ordering commitment of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Danvers Lunatic Hospital until further order; (4) providing for certain transfers of inmates of State Institutions.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including three adoptions.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Report of the Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm, on the circumstances attending the death of a pauper inmate of the State Farm.

Consideration of questions relating to temporary aid to be given during the labor troubles at New Bedford.

Consideration of two cases of child abandonment.

Voted, That the house at Arlington be vacated on the 31st prox., and that after said date children of the class sent there be boarded in two or three selected families.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, March 5, 1898.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for certain transfers of inmates of State institutions; (2) ordering commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Taunton Lunatic Hospital until further order.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including three adoptions.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Reports of the Clerk and Auditor.

Communication from the Trustees of Medfield Insane Asylum, stating that electric lights were being placed about the grounds of the Institution, in accordance with the suggestions of the Board.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, April 2, 1898.

Report of Committee on Inspection of Institutions, showing a visit to the State Almshouse.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) forwarding to the Governor a report of the Inspector of Institutions on the recent suicide at Westborough Insane Hospital; (2) providing for transfers of inmates of State institutions; (3) discharging certain boarded-out patients from the custody of the Board; (4) ordering commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Worcester Lunatic Hospital until further order.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Report of Clerk and Auditor.

Consideration of case of recent suicide at State Almshouse.

Voted, That the Governor be requested to appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman as delegates to the National Conference of Charities and Correction, to be held at New York, N. Y., May 18-27, 1898.

Special Meeting, Saturday, April 30, 1898.

Consideration of request of Boston Pauper Institutions Trustees for transfer of Long Island paupers to State institutions, in the event of the necessity of their removal therefrom on account of danger from bombardment.

Voted, That the Governor be requested to appoint Dr. Charles E. Woodbury as delegate to represent the Commonwealth at the meeting of the American Medico-Psychological Association, to be held at St. Louis, Mo., May 10-13, 1898.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, May 7, 1898.

Report of Committee on Inspection of Institutions, showing visits made to Worcester and Taunton Lunatic Hospitals, Worcester Insane Asylum, State Almshouse, State Farm, and Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for transfers from the State Lunatic Hospitals to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, opened on the 2d inst.; (2) providing for other transfers of patients of State Institutions; (3) ordering commitment of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Westborough Insane Hospital until further order.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including six adoptions; and appointment of Annie S. Smith, of Newton, as Auxiliary Visitor.

Reports of Clerk and Auditor.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Action regarding medical treatment of certain Lyman School boys.

Voted, That the Governor be requested to renew the commission issued to Frederick A. Burt, May 21, 1895, as special district police officer, under the provisions of Chapter 310 of the Acts of 1895.

Recommendation to the Governor that Dr. Edward E. Wiswall have authority to remove his private asylum for the insane from Newton to Wellesley.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, June 4, 1898.

Report of Committee on Inspection of Institutions, showing visits made to Northampton and Worcester Lunatic Hospitals, and Worcester Insane Asylum.

Report of Committee on removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) recommending the Trustees of Medfield Insane Asylum to make certain changes in the occupancy of the cottages of that institution; (2) providing for certain transfers of inmates of State institutions; (3) providing for forms of commitment of sane epileptics to the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics; (4) appointing Martha E. Lovell provisional visitor in the Department of Inspector of Institutions.

Voted, That the Inspector of Institutions be instructed to report to the Board for its action the case of any inmate of the asylum wards of the

State Almshouse, transferred from the pauper department of that institution, but not legally committed as an insane person, who needs hospital treatment.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including three adoptions.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Voted, That, from and after July 1, 1898, the several employees of the Board now in its service in the Department of In-Door and Out-Door Poor be re-assigned, from July 1, 1898, and until further order, as follows: Division of State Adult Poor: Stephen C. Wrightington, Joshua F. Lewis, George B. Tufts, Henry H. Fairbanks, Thomas M. Doane, Emma T. Cornish, Charles A. Colcord, Emma S. White, Edward F. Morgan, Patrick Glynn, Annie A. McBride, Berndt F. Heurlin, Edward L. White, Willard D. Tripp, Benjamin W. Peck, Henry D. Hawkes, William J. Hinchcliffe, Harry H. Pray, Robina A. Morison, Lilla D. Baker, Annette E. Barnes, Mary J. Breslin;— Division of State Minor Wards: William P. Derby, Bertha W. Jacobs, Sarah M. Crawford, Edwin F. Cummings, Nathan Coe, George H. Hull, David Walker, Charles K. Morton, Frederick G. Southmayd, Thomas P. Bagley, G. Frederick Davis, Edward W. Bowker, Henry L. Gardner, William W. Foster, Frederick A. Burt, Albert A. Carlton, Mary S. Beale, Lucy B. Hancock, Emma W. Kelley, E. Mabel Tyler, Alice A. Page, Ellen L. Lynch, Mary Agnes Perrault, Annie E. Hancock, Grace F. Ordway, Florence Faden, Eleanor A. Eames, Annie F. Merrill, Georgiana C. Faden, Justine D. Ferris.

Also Voted, That the Executive Committee be authorized to carry the above changes into effect, including any necessary re-arrangement of rooms.

Chairman authorized to ask for an addition of \$10,000 to the current appropriation for temporary aid of State paupers, and of \$5,000 to the current appropriation for the care and maintenance of indigent and neglected children, etc.; also for an appropriation of \$17,550 for salaries and expenses in the Division of State Adult Poor, and of \$15,950 for salaries and expenses in the Division of State Minor Wards, from July 1, 1898.

Adjourned Meeting, Saturday, June 18, 1898.

Adoption of new by-laws, and passage of the following vote:

Voted, That the following by-laws be and are hereby adopted as the by-laws of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, and substituted for

the by-laws now in force. The substitution shall take effect July 1, 1898, and on that day the departments known as the Departments of In-Door Poor and Out-Door Poor respectively shall be discontinued. *Provided, however,* That the Inspector of Institutions shall continue to discharge his present duties as agent of this Board until October 1, 1898.

(These by-laws, as farther revised, are given below in the proceedings of the State Board of Charity at its regular meeting held October 1, 1898.)

Postponement of annual election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman to the adjourned meeting.

Stephen C. Wrightington appointed Superintendent of In-Door Poor to the 30th inst., and Superintendent of State Adult Poor from the 1st prox; William P. Derby appointed Superintendent of Out-Door Poor to the 30th inst., and Superintendent of State Minor Wards from the 1st prox; John D. Wells appointed Clerk of the Board; Charles E. Woodbury appointed Inspector of Institutions to September 30, 1898; Joshua H. Lewis and George B. Tufts appointed Deputy Superintendents of State Adult Poor; Bertha W. Jacobs and Sarah M. Crawford appointed Deputy Superintendents of State Minor Wards; and Henry C. Prentiss appointed Deputy Inspector of Institutions to September 30, 1898.

Appointment of Standing Committees.

Appointment of Auxiliary Visitors.

Appointment of Mary G. Canty as temporary clerk in the Inspector's Office.

Adjourned Meeting, Friday, June 24, 1898.

Annual election of officers: Mr. Lincoln elected Chairman, and Mrs. Codman, Vice-Chairman.

The following resolutions, moved by Mr. Donnelly, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the members of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity regret to learn of the declination of Hon George W Johnson to continue his membership of the Board, and desire to testify to his devotion to the best interests of the charities of the State, and their appreciation of the services he has rendered them during the many years he has been in office.

Resolved, That the members of the Board recall with satisfaction their pleasant relations at all times with their late Chairman, and, in parting from him officially, unite in expressing their sincere regard for him, and their continued interest in his welfare.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, July 2, 1898.

Report of General Committee of Visitation and Inspection, showing visits made to the Massachusetts Hospital for Dipso-maniacs and Inebriates, and the State Industrial School.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for transfers of inmates of State institutions; (2) discharging two boarded out patients; (3) ordering commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Danvers Lunatic Hospital until farther order.

Report of Committee on Charities: Monthly reports of the Superintendents of In-Door and Out-Door Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm, and children in the custody of the Board, including one indenture, and four adoptions.

Action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Voted, That the Board subscribe for seventy-five copies of the proceedings of the National Conference of Charities and Correction at New York, N. Y.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, August 6, 1898.

Report of Committee of General Visitation and Inspection, showing visits to the Lyman School, Westborough Insane Hospital, Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Worcester Insane Asylum, and the private asylums of Drs. Russell and Baker.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) directing commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Taunton Lunatic Hospital until further order; (2) providing for transfers of inmates of State institutions; (3) instructing the Clerk to certify to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth the names of the cities and towns reported by the Inspector of Institutions as having failed to make the annual pauper returns required by Sections 34 and 35 of Chapter 84 of the Public Statutes, together with the amount of penalty incurred in each instance, under the provisions of Section 37 of the same Chapter.

Report of Committee on State Adult Poor : Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor ; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm.

Report of Committee on State Minor Wards : Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Minor Wards ; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for the discharge of children in the custody of the Board, including four adoptions ; and action on licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Report of Clerk and Auditor.

Appointment of Mary R. Cady as temporary clerk in the Division of State Minor Wards.

Settlement of a bastardy case.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, September 3, 1898.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Report of Committee on Lunacy : Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions ; recommendations adopted, (1) ordering commitments of insane persons from Suffolk County to be made to Worcester Lunatic Hospital until farther order ; (2) providing for transfers of inmates of State institutions.

Report of Committee on State Adult Poor : Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor ; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm.

Report of Committee on State Minor Wards : Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Minor Wards ; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for the discharge of children in the custody of the Board, and on licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants ; authorizing the Superintendent of State Minor Wards to change the location of the Nursery to a position nearer the State House ; and appointing Mary R. Cady to permanent service in the Division of State Minor Wards.

Conference with the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools " to consider by what means the State Industrial School may be relieved of girls who show themselves incapable of profiting by its training and who, in the present crowded condition of the School, seriously interfere with the training of those who are capable of being fitted for a life of honest self-support."

The Committee to whom the matter of sending children to the State Almshouse was referred, at the last meeting, for investigation and report, presented a report in writing, containing the following conclusions :

"None of the Statutes recognize the Almshouse as a proper place for the commitment of juvenile offenders or other offenders. It is not a prison. In the opinion of the Committee, so long as a juvenile offender remains in the custody of the Trustees or State Board under his original sentence, he cannot legally be transferred to the Almshouse.

The local authorities of a town may remove a person falling into distress therein, not having a settlement, to the Almshouse. This certificate cannot properly be given in the case of a person who is at the time in the custody of the State authorities by commitment of the Court.

If it is desirable that juvenile offenders should be sent to the State Almshouse for hospital treatment, or for any other purpose, the Legislature should be asked to amend the law.

In the opinion of the Committee, indigent and neglected children having no settlement, and in the care of the Board under Statutes 1882, chapter 181, may be sent by the Board to Tewksbury in its discretion.

In the opinion of the Committee, when an indigent or neglected child is placed in a family, and thrown back upon the Board, because he proves to be unmanageable or becomes sick, he may properly be sent to the State Almshouse, until the Legislature makes other provision for him "

Voted, That the report of the Committee be accepted, and that its conclusions be adopted as the opinion of the Board.

Special Meeting, Friday, September 30, 1898.

Report of Committee on Lunacy: Monthly report of the Inspector of Institutions; recommendations adopted, (1) providing for the transfer of certain inmates of the State institutions; (2) recommending to the Governor that the petition of Dr. Henry R. Stedman for permission to change the location of his private asylum from Forest Hills, Boston, to Brookline, be granted.

Report of Committee of General Visitation and Inspection, showing visits made to Danvers and Northampton Hospitals, and Pierce and Austin Farms.

Report of Committee on the removal of insane persons out of the State, and action thereon.

Voted, That, owing to the passage of the Act of 1898 establishing a State Board of Insanity, the Board no longer requires the services of Dr. Charles E. Woodbury, Sarah E. Chapman, Sadie L. Powers, and Annie Alden Folger; and the employment of these persons by the Board is discontinued from and after this date.

STATE BOARD OF CHARITY.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, October 1, 1898.

Report of Committee on State Adult Poor: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor; recommendations adopted,

involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm.

Report of Committee on State Minor Wards: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Minor Wards; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of children in the custody of the Board, including three adoptions; the appointment of Lilla A. Evans, of Waterbury, Vt., as Auxiliary Visitor; and action in the matter of licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Report of Clerk and Auditor.

Transfer of Henry C. Prentiss to position of statistical clerk in the office of the Clerk of the Board.

Voted, That the by-laws adopted June 18, 1898, as the by-laws of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, be adopted, with certain amendments, as the by-laws of the State Board of Charity. The revised by-laws are as follows:—

BY-LAWS.

1. The Board shall, at its regular meeting in June in each year, elect by ballot a Chairman and Vice-Chairman, who shall each hold office for one year, or until his successor shall have been chosen. Any vacancy in the office of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, during the year for which he may be elected, shall be filled by ballot. In the absence or disability of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, a Chairman *pro tempore* may be chosen as the Board may determine.

2. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the first Saturday of each month in the rooms of the Board at the State House, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, or at such other place and hour as the Board may from time to time direct. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman, or, in his absence, by the Vice-Chairman, at such time and place as may be most convenient for the members of the Board; and, in notifying such meetings, the Clerk shall specify the subjects to be considered. Four members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. The Committees of the Board shall be: (1) a Committee on State Adult Poor, to consist of four members; (2) a Committee on State Minor Wards, to consist of four members; (3) a Committee of General Visitation and Inspection, to consist of three members; all to be appointed by the Chairman; (4) an Executive Committee, to consist of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees. The Committee on State Adult Poor and the Committee on State Minor Wards shall severally hold meetings immediately before the monthly meetings of the Board, for the purpose of considering the reports of the Superintendents of Divisions, and preparing recommendations for the Board. The Committee of General Visitation and Inspection shall make monthly reports to the Board. The Executive Committee shall act for the Board in the intervals between its meetings, whenever immediate action is demanded; such action shall be reported at the next reg-

ular meeting of the Board, and, if no objection is made, shall be regarded as the will of the Board

4. There shall be a Clerk of the Board, to be elected by ballot at the regular meeting in June in each year, who shall be present at the meetings of the Board and of the Executive Committee, and keep a record of all transactions; shall receive and disburse all money; shall have custody of the Board's records, files, and all funds that may come to the Board or its wards; shall audit all bills, and render a monthly account of his audits; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him, including statistical work not otherwise provided for. He shall be subject to the supervision of the Executive Committee. He shall give a bond to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth in the sum of four thousand dollars, with sufficient sureties, for the faithful performance of his duties. He shall also act as Clerk of the Committee on State Adult Poor.

5. There shall be a Superintendent of State Adult Poor, to be elected by ballot at the regular meeting in June in each year, who, subject to the direction of the Board, shall execute all the provisions of the laws relating to sane inmates of the State Almshouse and the State Farm, the sick State poor, those ill of dangerous diseases, and those receiving temporary relief. He shall also make all necessary examinations and investigations regarding the settlement of all persons, sane and insane, receiving public aid. He shall report to the Board, from time to time, for transmission to the State Board of Insanity, the names and histories of all unsettled inmates of the several State institutions for the insane. He shall visit monthly the State Almshouse and the State Farm, and report upon their condition. His reports shall be made monthly, and he shall also annually, on or before October 15, furnish a summary of his work for the year; he shall, on or before the 10th of January, April, July and October, certify to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth the several amounts due the State for the support of inmates in the several institutions, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him. There shall be two Deputy Superintendents, who shall be under the direction of the Superintendent, and who shall have charge respectively of the work relating to the in-door and the out-door poor.

6. There shall be a Superintendent of State Minor Wards, to be elected by ballot at the regular meeting in June in each year, who, subject to the direction of the Board, shall execute all the provisions of the laws relating to neglected and dependent children and juvenile offenders, and shall provide for the placing and visitation of all such children. He shall make monthly visits to the Lyman School for Boys and the State Industrial School for Girls, and report upon their condition. He shall make semi-annual visits to the county truant schools, and report upon their condition. His reports shall be made monthly, and he shall annually, on or before October 15, furnish a summary of his work for the year; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him. There shall be two Deputy Superintendents, who shall be under the direction of the Superintendent, and who shall have charge respectively of the children over three years of age, and of the infants.

7. All officers elected by ballot, and all agents and other employees appointed by the Board, shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board.

8. These by-laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the full Board, at any regular meeting, after previous notice of the change that is desired in the same by any member has been mailed to each member by the Clerk, three days, at least, before any vote shall be taken by the Board to make the proposed change.

Appointment of Marion Chapin as temporary visitor in the Division of State Minor Wards.

The Committee to whom was referred the question of the employment of registered pharmacists at the State Institutions, at the last regular meeting, for consideration and report, reported that, after investigation of the matter, in the opinion of the Committee the Act of 1896 (chapter 397) does not apply to the compounding, measuring and distribution of medicines, under the supervision of the medical staff of the Institution, for the exclusive use of the inmates. But, in the opinion of the Committee, the Board should recommend the adoption of a rule requiring written prescriptions to be filled, and all stock mixtures to be prepared, either by a registered pharmacist, or by a physician who is a graduate of a medical college legally authorized to confer degrees in medicine.

Voted, that the report be accepted, and that the opinion of the Committee be adopted as the judgment of the Board.

Also Voted, That the Clerk be instructed to communicate the opinion to the State Board of Insanity, and also to the Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm, and the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools.

The Chairman, Dr. Hitchcock, Mrs. Codman, Mr. Pratt, and Mr. Fox were appointed a Committee on the Annual Report of the Board.

Voted, That the Clerk be instructed to call the attention of the municipal authorities to the provision of chapter 211 of the Acts of 1885, which requires that, in claims for reimbursement for hospital patients, certification should be made as to the condition of the applicant at the time of the application.

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, November 5, 1898.

Report of Committee of General Visitation and Inspection, showing three visits made by different members of the Board to the State Industrial School, and a visit to the County Truant School at Walpole.

Report of Committee on State Adult Poor: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm.

Report of Committee on State Minor Wards: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Minor Wards; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of children in the custody of the Board; the appointment of Marietta Hawes, of Attleborough, and Della A. Ryan, of Athol, as Auxiliary Visitors; the settlement of a bastardy case; and action on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Action on applications for increase of salaries of employees of the Board.

Appointment of Mary A. Boylan as clerical assistant in the Clerk's office, in place of Henry J. Jenner, transferred to the employment of the State Board of Insanity.

Voted, That the Clerk be instructed to forward to the State Board of Insanity, from time to time, the names and histories of non-settled inmates of the several State institutions for the insane reported to the Board by the Superintendent of State Adult Poor, under the provisions of the by-laws of the Board.

Voted, That, in the opinion of the Board, Public Statutes, chapter 86, Sections 25, 26, as amended by Acts of 1885, chapter 211, and Acts of 1891, chapter 153, require that notice shall be given by the local authorities to the State Board of Charity before any claim can be made for the support of an unsettled person who is infected with a contagious disease. The Statutes requiring notice in such cases to the State Board of Health do not dispense with notice to the State Board of Charity, if reimbursement is to be demanded of the State; and that the Clerk so notify the several local authorities.

Adjourned Meeting, Saturday, November 19, 1898.

Report of Superintendent of State Farm, enclosing report on the recent suicide at the State Farm.

Conference with the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools regarding the matter of provision for increased numbers at the State Industrial School.

Voted, That the following vote, passed April 6, 1896, be rescinded: "*Voted*, That hereafter no female ward of the State above the age of twelve years be released to her home or placed in a family until an investigation into the propriety of such release or placing has been made by a salaried officer of the Board; and that such officer shall, from time to time visit all wards so released for the purpose of securing their best interests."

Regular Monthly Meeting, Saturday, December 3, 1898.

Report of Committee General visitation and Inspection, showing visits made to Middlesex County Truant School, State Almshouse, and the Lyman School.

Report of Committee on State Adult Poor: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Adult Poor; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of inmates of the State Farm.

Report of Committee on State Minor Wards: Monthly report of the Superintendent of State Minor Wards; recommendations adopted, involving action on applications for discharge of children in the custody of the Board, including three adoptions; and on petitions for licenses to maintain boarding-houses for infants.

Report of the Clerk and Auditor.

Action on annual estimates for appropriations under the direction of the Board.

Action on Annual Report.

Appointment of Martha E. Taylor as visitor in the Division of State Minor Wards, and transfer of Alice A. Page to the position of accountant in the same Division.

Request of Governor for suggestions from the Board, to be considered in the preparation of his inaugural address.

Settlement of a bastardy case.

Adjourned Meeting, Saturday, December 17, 1898.

Action on annual estimates for legislative appropriations under the direction of the Board.

Action on a State Farm case, and on cases of children in the custody of the Board.

Approval of the following estimates of the Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm for appropriations for the year 1899: for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse, \$157,600; for salaries and expenses at the State Farm, \$137,000.

Approval of the following estimates of the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools for appropriations for the year 1899: for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School, \$66,265; for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School, \$34,375. Regarding the Trustees' estimates of about \$16,000 for a central building for laundry, cooking, and workshops; and of about \$40,000 for the building and furnishing of two additional cottages; the Board is of the opinion that the estimates are unnecessarily large.

Resolved, That the Board recommend legislative action providing for authority for the State Board of Charity to send to the State Almshouse any juvenile offenders in its custody who are in need of hospital treatment; and, upon the request of the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools, to send to the State Almshouse any juvenile offenders in the custody of said Trustees who are in need of hospital treatment; also, giving authority to the Trustees of the State Almshouse, with the approval of the State Board of Charity, to make rules defining more precisely in what cases such transfers shall be made, and providing that persons so transferred shall be under the exclusive custody of the Trustees of the State Almshouse until they are discharged therefrom by the State Board of Charity; also giving authority to the State Board of Charity to return to the custody of the Trustees of the Lyman and Industrial Schools all persons so discharged from the State Almshouse who were in the custody of said Trustees, and to resume the custody of the persons who were in its custody, to be held on the terms of their original commitment.

Adoption and signing of draft of Annual Report.

Number and Location of Insane in Massachusetts.

LOCATION.	NUMBER SEPTEMBER 30, 1897.			Number of Persons within the Year.	Average Number for the Year.	NUMBER SEPTEMBER 30, 1898.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.			Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>In State Institutions:—</i>								
Worcester Hospital,	382	485	867	1,342	871.4	378	496	874
Worcester Asylum,	217	218	435	456	428.16	206	213	419
Taunton Hospital,	369	389	758	1,111	781.61	401	405	806
Northampton Hospital,	268	254	522	723	546.16	283	280	563
Danvers Hospital,	353	450	803	1,242	871.45	416	474	890
Westborough Hospital,	212	339	551	802	563.91	232	352	584
Medfield Asylum,	453	508	961	1,106	974.59	424	577	1,001
Hospital for Epileptics,	—	—	—	174	46.04	82	89	171
Asylum Wards, State Almshouse,	109	360	469	554	461.17	103	349	452
Asylum for Insane Criminals, State Farm,	325	—	325	379	301.6	300	—	300
Aggregate,	2,688	3,003	5,691	7,889	5,846.09	2,825	3,235	6,060
Less Duplications and Transfers,	—	—	—	275	—	—	—	—
Total for State Institutions,	2,688	3,003	5,691	7,614	5,846.09	2,825	3,235	6,060
<i>In Municipal Institutions:—</i>								
Boston Lunatic Hospital,	246	261	507	805	516.09	323	244	567
<i>In Corporate or Private Institutions:—</i>								
McLean Asylum, Waverley,	76	79	155	288	152.82	73	91	164
Herbert Hall, Worcester,	—	12	12	21	12.29	—	13	13
The Highlands, Winchendon,	5	6	11	23	11.5	7	3	10
Private Asylum, Brookline,	1	11	12	14	10.42	—	10	10
Woodbourne, Brookline,	2	8	10	14	11.	2	5	7
Riverview, Baldwinville,	1	3	4	5	4.27	1	4	5

Private Asylum, Norwood,	1	4	6	7	4.85	1	4	6
The Newton Nerve,	5	4	9	34	12.04	2	12	14
The Attleborough Sanitarium,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Wellesley Nerve,	-	-	-	4	.75	-	2	2
Locust Grove Asylum, Sandwich,	-	2	2	2	2.	-	2	2
Cutter Retreat, Pepperell,	-	1	1	2	1.04	-	1	1
Sanatorium, Arlington Heights,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Framingham Nerve,	-	5	5	6	3.36	-	4	4
Laurelwood, Newton,	1	1	2	3	1.61	1	-	1
Aggregate,	92	136	228	423	227.95	87	151	238
Less Duplications and Transfers,	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Total for Private Institutions,	92	136	228	411	227.95	87	151	238
<i>At Board in Private Families</i> (in care of the Board of Lunacy and Charity),	23	98	121	130	115.86	20	92	112
Others in care of Overseers of the Poor:—								
In Town Almshouses,	427	512	939	1,075	909.9	366	508	874
In Private Families,	5	48	53	58	54.47	9	44	53
Aggregate,	432	560	992	1,133	964.37	375	552	927
SUMMARY.								
Under direct Medical Supervision,	3,049	3,498	6,547	8,806	6,705.99	3,255	3,722	6,977
In care of Overseers of the Poor,	432	560	992	1,133	964.37	375	552	927
Aggregate,	3,481	4,058	7,539	9,939	7,670.36	3,630	4,274	7,904
Less Duplications and Transfers,	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	-
Total under supervision,	3,481	4,058	7,539	9,914	7,670.36	3,630	4,274	7,904

Insane in Institutions under Medical Care for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.

	PUBLIC HOSPITALS AND ASYLUMS.			PRIVATE ASYLUMS.			AGGREGATE.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number September 30, 1897,	3,010	3,343	6,353	16	57	73	3,026	3,400	6,426
Admissions of the year — whole number,	1,375	1,338	2,713	22	41	63	1,397	1,379	2,776
Viz.: — Committed by the Courts,	1,082	1,024	2,106	6	15	21	1,088	1,039	2,127
Sent by Governor's order,	10	3	13	—	—	—	10	3	13
Committed by Board of Lunacy and Charity,	55	40	95	—	—	—	55	40	95
Voluntary admissions,	49	45	94	15	25	40	64	70	134
Emergency cases,	6	11	17	—	—	—	6	11	17
Transferred from other hospitals,	173	215	388	1	1	2	174	216	390
Whole number of <i>cases</i> treated,	4,385	4,681	9,066	38	98	136	4,423	4,779	9,202
Whole number of <i>persons</i> treated,	4,163	4,416	8,579	38	95	133	4,199	4,504	8,703
Discharges — whole number,	1,164	1,111	2,275	24	38	62	1,188	1,149	2,337
Viz.: — Recovered,	210	204	414	9	12	21	219	216	435
Much improved,	114	145	259	3	7	10	117	152	269
Improved,	131	128	259	5	4	9	136	132	268
Not improved,	316	357	673	2	14	16	318	371	689
Not insane,	22	28	50	—	—	—	22	28	50
Died,	371	249	620	5	1	6	376	250	626
Number September 30, 1898,	3,221	3,570	6,791	14	60	74	3,235	3,630	6,865

Summary of Insane under State Supervision, Sept. 30, 1898.

	SEX.		Total.	SUPPORT.	
	Males.	Females.		Private.	Public.
In State Hospitals and Asylums,	2,825	3,285	6,060	525	5,535
In Municipal Asylums,	323	244	567	87	480
In Corporate or Private Asylums,	87	151	238	238	-
Boarded in Families under —					
State Control,	20	92	112	18	94
Town Control,	9	44	53	-	53
In Town Almshouses,	366	508	874	-	874
Total,	3,630	4,274	7,904	868	7,036



APPENDIX I.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

WITH ADDITIONAL TABLES OF VALUATION, ANNUAL COST,
NUMBERS, ETC., IN THE STATE ESTABLISHMENTS;
AND STATISTICS CONCERNING INSAN-
ITY IN MASSACHUSETTS.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

TABLE I. — *Expense and Number of the Poor of the Massachusetts Cities and Towns for the Year ending March 31, 1898, as shown by the Pauper Returns and Annual Reports.*

[The State Poor in Institutions not included.]

PART I. — COST OF SUPPORT AND RELIEF.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	COST OF FULL SUPPORT.					Expense of Partial Support.	Miscellaneous Expenses, chiefly Administrative.	Aggregate of Ordli- nary Expenses.	REIMBURSEMENTS.		Net Amount of Ordinary Pauper Expenses.	Extraordinary Ex- penses.
	Expenses at Lunatic Hos- pitals.	Expense at other Insti- tutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.	By the State.				By other Cities and Towns.			
BARNSTABLE.												
Barnstable, . . .	\$1,635	\$960	-	-	\$2,595	\$3,699	\$150	\$6,444	\$72	-	\$293	\$6,079
Bourne, . . .	*170	315	-	-	485	899	297	1,681	-	-	179	1,502
Brewster, . . .	883	339	-	-	1,222	646	105	1,973	-	-	51	1,922
Chatham, . . .	1,066	703	-	\$157	1,926	993	225	3,144	-	-	154	2,990
Dennis, . . .	898	469	-	-	1,365	2,633	150	4,148	-	-	244	3,904
Eastham, . . .	-	-	-	-	573	4	9	586	-	-	-	586
Falmouth, . . .	1,045	921	\$27	106	2,099	1,721	265	4,083	-	-	129	3,956
Harwich, . . .	1,169	831	-	93	2,093	1,841	185	4,119	197	319	319	3,603
Mashpee, . . .	-	289	53	415	757	123	30	910	202	-	-	708
Orleans, . . .	-	170	-	756	926	477	75	1,478	-	-	-	1,478
Provincetown, . . .	1,087	1,182	-	268	2,537	2,560	450	5,547	67	174	174	5,306
Sandwich, . . .	1,061	794	92	-	1,947	1,191	300	3,438	77	312	312	3,049
Truro, . . .	-	635	-	-	635	328	50	913	267	-	-	646
Wellfleet, . . .	-	-	-	775	775	705	100	1,580	-	-	-	1,580
Yarmouth, . . .	1,148	559	162	-	1,869	2,275	251	4,395	44	-	266	4,085
Total, . . .	\$10,161	\$8,066	\$335	\$3,143	\$21,705	\$20,095	\$2,642	\$41,442	\$926	\$2,122		\$41,394
												\$211

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

	\$2,153	\$931	\$167	\$187	\$3,251	\$4,434	\$600	\$8,285	\$250	\$124	\$7,911	\$68
BERKSHIRE.												
Adams, . . .	-	-	-	\$187	187	4,434	15	211	-	-	211	-
Alford, . . .	-	349	-	558	907	597	50	1,554	234	6	1,314	-
Becket, . . .	-	13	-	1,416	1,429	451	70	1,950	35	144	1,771	-
Cheshire, . . .	-	82	-	82	82	343	-	425	459	64	361	-
Clarksburg, . . .	-	994	705	2,728	4,427	2,681	485	7,593	459	651	6,483	-
Dalton, . . .	-	145	-	925	1,070	2,681	31	1,102	185	28	1,102	-
Egremont, . . .	-	201	-	186	387	47	9	443	185	10	280	-
Florida, . . .	-	1,055	84	2,604	3,743	1,669	275	5,687	-	-	5,677	-
Great Barrington, . . .	-	-	141	141	141	-	3	144	-	-	144	-
Hancock, . . .	-	494	120	378	992	818	75	1,856	10	112	1,763	-
Hinsdale, . . .	-	-	-	525	525	444	50	1,020	20	-	1,000	-
Lanesborough, . . .	-	-	-	189	2,831	2,191	1,185	6,207	24	76	6,107	1,049
Lee, . . .	1,827	677	138	2,533	3,034	244	121	3,419	15	-	3,404	-
Lenox, . . .	-	497	24	2,533	3,034	386	24	773	264	-	609	-
Monterey, . . .	-	201	-	152	353	24	-	773	-	-	91	-
Mount Washington, . . .	-	-	-	67	67	24	-	28	-	-	28	-
New Ashford, . . .	-	-	-	28	28	-	-	28	-	-	1,171	-
New Marlborough, . . .	-	323	-	523	846	395	-	1,241	70	-	13,123	-
North Adams, . . .	3,698	2,619	292	385	6,994	6,778	750	14,422	510	789	181	-
Otis, . . .	-	-	-	538	638	73	40	651	-	-	470	-
Peru, . . .	-	169	-	-	169	177	-	346	169	9	168	-
Pittsfield, . . .	5,654	1,517	167	265	7,603	12,246	1,200	21,049	1,466	1,302	18,281	660
Richmond, . . .	-	180	-	586	766	773	-	1,539	106	-	1,433	-
Sandisfield, . . .	-	509	241	124	874	677	25	1,476	254	90	1,132	-
Savoy, . . .	-	363	-	343	706	136	42	884	363	15	506	-
Sheffield, . . .	-	983	169	448	1,600	524	45	2,169	15	9	2,169	32
Stockbridge, . . .	-	923	114	2,236	3,273	1,313	-	4,586	-	-	4,582	-
Tyringham, . . .	-	-	-	516	546	9	20	575	371	44	575	-
Washington, . . .	-	371	-	96	1,559	311	21	799	371	-	384	-
West Stockbridge, . . .	-	1,060	36	1,049	1,498	718	-	2,277	-	-	2,277	-
Williamstown, . . .	438	-	-	-	1,498	3,756	80	5,334	16	401	4,917	100
Windsor, . . .	-	170	-	-	170	188	-	358	170	-	188	-
Total, . . .	\$13,770	\$15,298	\$2,398	\$19,588	\$51,034	\$42,251	\$5,216	\$98,521	\$5,006	\$4,054	\$89,461	\$1,909

* In Sandwich.

TABLE I.—PART I.—COST OF SUPPORT AND RELIEF—Continued.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.												
TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	COST OF FULL SUPPORT.					Expense of Partial Support.	Miscellaneous Expenses, chiefly Administrative.	Aggregate of Ord- inary Expenses.	REIMBURSEMENTS.		Net Amount of Ordinary Pauper Expenses.	Extraordinary Ex- penses.
	Expense at Almshouses.	Expense at Lunatic Hos- pitals.	Expense at other Insti- tutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.				By the State.	By other Cities and Towns.		
BRISTOL.												
Acushnet,	-	£678	-	£50	£728	£309	£49	£1,086	-	£144	£1,086	£11
Atleborough,	£827	1,355	£363	-	2,545	3,427	416	6,388	£702	74	5,542	97
Berkley,	*30	169	-	270	409	250	25	684	10	264	3,737	1,005
Dartmouth,	1,243	887	-	114	2,244	1,544	223	4,011	245	389	1,222	-
Dighton,	567	151	-	126	814	922	100	1,896	35	323	6,592	-
Easton,	949	1,841	-	214	3,004	2,686	300	5,890	80	247	2,545	-
Fairhaven,	1,374	353	-	-	1,727	622	200	2,549	14	80	83,998	-
Fall River,	29,544	18,822	1,495	1,901	51,762	29,615	12,143	93,520	7,247	2,275	1,245	139
Freetown,	478	100	-	128	706	467	90	1,263	10	8	4,234	210
Mansfield,	1,844	473	-	349	2,666	1,873	225	4,764	2,503	2,023	80,939	643
New Bedford,	18,305	10,041	-	-	28,346	63,427	3,744	85,517	2,503	190	6,601	1,013
North Attleborough,	2,022	1,620	-	-	3,642	2,723	486	6,851	99	99	1,708	62
Norton,	723	170	-	-	1,363	359	85	1,807	99	755	3,303	84
Raynham,	740	509	-	676	846	3,186	125	4,167	55	3	1,776	100
Rehoboth,	499	-	-	-	1,249	610	75	1,834	-	-	938	60
Seekonk,	499	-	-	-	499	445	53	997	-	-	1,463	250
Somerset,	133	433	-	-	566	824	100	1,490	-	-	862	-
Swansea,	357	218	-	-	575	224	63	862	-	-	26,886	-
Taunton,	6,477	8,337	406	758	16,478	13,828	1,412	31,718	2,591	2,261	3,391	-
Taunton,	1,018	505	-	-	1,523	2,132	209	3,864	-	473	-	-
Westport,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	£67,069	£47,803	£2,264	£4,686	£121,722	£119,273	£20,123	£281,118	£13,013	£10,548	£237,657	£3,675
DUXES.												
Chilmark,	-	-	-	£243	£243	£32	£17	£292	-	-	£292	-
Cottage City,	-	£278	-	555	813	448	30	1,291	£64	-	1,227	-
Edgartown,	-	478	-	850	1,328	282	-	1,610	-	-	1,610	-

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† In Peabody.

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ESSEX.—Con.												
Saugus, . . .	\$529	\$1,513	—	—	\$2,042	\$1,207	\$217	\$3,466	\$151	\$78	\$3,237	\$37
Swampscott, . . .	—	1,204	\$109	\$152	1,465	1,191	266	2,922	46	18	2,858	—
Topsfield, . . .	1,745	443	—	—	2,188	229	81	2,498	—	—	2,498	683
Wenham, . . .	—	109	—	—	109	406	33	548	—	—	548	—
West Newbury, . . .	776	749	—	—	1,525	616	45	2,186	—	54	2,132	145
Total, . . .	\$92,444	\$81,329	\$16,759	\$8,036	\$198,568	\$123,676	\$13,351	\$335,595	\$11,124	\$24,133	\$300,338	\$56,458
FRANKLIN.												
Ashfield, . . .	\$335	\$508	—	—	\$843	\$492	\$26	\$1,361	—	\$313	\$1,048	—
Barnardston, . . .	—	518	—	—	1,013	52	48	1,113	\$201	25	887	—
Buckland, . . .	561	627	—	—	1,188	753	100	2,041	—	—	2,041	\$50
Charlemont, . . .	—	331	—	106	437	327	50	824	224	12	588	—
Colrain, . . .	—	396	—	292	688	260	27	975	55	86	834	—
Conway, . . .	333	728	—	355	1,416	282	119	1,817	52	—	1,765	100
Deerfield, . . .	216	163	—	67	436	424	—	860	—	45	816	—
Erving, . . .	—	169	—	384	723	878	92	1,693	106	—	1,587	—
Gill, . . .	—	101	—	—	104	184	10	298	—	—	298	—
Greenfield, . . .	641	1,114	—	110	1,865	2,901	400	5,166	341	281	4,544	—
Hawley, . . .	177	—	—	76	253	43	30	328	—	—	328	—
Heath, . . .	—	327	—	124	451	65	—	516	237	121	168	—
Leverett, . . .	—	339	—	491	830	224	52	1,106	—	110	996	—
Leyden, . . .	—	339	—	319	658	—	25	683	339	—	344	—
Monroe, . . .	—	157	—	—	157	65	—	222	157	—	65	—
Montague, . . .	1,524	1,415	169	1,017	4,125	3,674	300	8,099	394	495	7,210	338
New Salem, . . .	511	704	—	—	1,215	74	30	1,319	381	—	1,338	—
Northfield, . . .	—	316	—	550	866	1,084	40	1,990	—	30	1,960	—

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	784	291	\$339	\$5,470	1,075	2,543	\$1,868	\$42,478	\$4,073	\$2,403	\$35,402	3,112	-
Orange,					1,075	2,543	300	3,918	262	544			-
Rowe,		240			240	445	15	700	148			652	-
Shelburne,		148		143	289	165	5	459		41		418	127
Shutesbury,	418	620			1,038	288	50	1,378	632	120		624	-
Sunderland,		169		383		45	25	632	79			553	-
Warwick,	829	484			1,313	1,075	30	2,418	243	27		2,148	-
Wendell,		1,067		170	1,237	612	35	1,884	823	163		908	-
Whately,		183		380	563	59	60	682	-			682	-
Total,	\$6,329	\$11,449	\$339	\$5,470	\$23,087	\$17,023	\$1,868	\$42,478	\$4,073	\$2,403	\$35,402		\$615
HAMPTDEN.													
Agawam,	\$822	\$739			\$1,561	\$1,190	\$50	\$2,801	\$28	\$307	\$2,466		-
Blandford,				\$219	219	55	75	349	68		281		-
Brimfield,	445				445	354	100	899		43	856		\$332
Chester,		181		855	1,152	477	117	1,746	39	6	1,701		-
Chicopee,	5,955	4,982	169	739	11,845	10,890	791	23,526	1,727	107	21,692	999	8
East Longmeadow,	*32	230		50	312	320	8	640		12	628		-
Granville,		570		205	775	529	251	1,555	282	180	1,093	250	-
Hamden,	†114	658			772	302		1,074	397	6	671		-
Holland,		329			329	2	20	351	328		23		-
Holyoke,	9,662	6,801	278		16,731	29,936	1,159	47,826	4,966	3,944	38,916	3,399	-
Longmeadow,	*143				143	780		923			923		-
Ludlow,		158		371	529	589		1,118	118	55	945		-
Monson,	921	711		470	2,102	574	221	2,897	114	247	2,536	55	-
Montgomery,		211		174	385	173	28	2,586	223		363		-
Palmer,	1,881	1,267			3,148	3,776	525	7,449	334	281	6,834	295	-
Russell,		170		386	566	353	45	964		214	780		-
Southwick,		602		700	1,302	154	100	1,556	19	64	1,473		-
Springfield,	22,333	1,716	48	330	24,427	7,540	5,069	37,036	3,830	1,671	31,535	1,368	-
Tolland,		112		159	271	12	13	296	112		184		-
Wales,		169	169	351	689	452	22	1,153		30	1,133		-
Westfield,	3,650	3,790	144		7,884	5,892		13,476	484	1,023	11,969	500	-
West Springfield,	*134	813	132	1,375	2,454	3,269	200	6,923		1,327	4,696		-
Wilbraham,		180	103	155	438	513	70	1,021	9	66	947		-
Total,	\$46,082	\$24,389	\$1,160	\$6,548	\$78,179	\$68,132	\$8,862	\$155,173	\$13,078	\$9,581	\$132,514		\$7,206

† In Monson.

* In Springfield.

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HAMPSHIRE.												
Amherst, . . .	\$804	\$1,003	\$169	-	\$1,976	\$1,041	\$300	\$3,317	\$136	\$755	\$2,426	\$137
Belchertown, . .	672	339	-	-	1,011	1,162	181	2,354	125	166	2,063	-
Chesterfield, . .	-	326	-	\$389	715	351	50	1,116	244	138	734	-
Cummington, . .	-	308	-	653	961	277	-	1,238	151	134	953	-
Easthampton, . .	1,281	1,003	118	100	2,502	1,517	225	4,244	65	592	3,587	-
Enfield, . . .	-	651	-	829	1,480	217	21	1,718	-	32	1,686	-
Goshen, . . .	-	-	-	190	190	47	-	237	-	-	237	-
Granby, . . .	-	221	-	119	340	243	50	633	83	-	550	-
Greenwich, . . .	284	-	130	86	500	399	101	1,000	115	262	623	24
Hadley, . . .	588	447	-	-	1,035	363	50	1,448	17	28	1,403	-
Hartford, . . .	*280	680	-	347	1,307	605	55	1,967	33	-	1,934	-
Huntington, . . .	-	348	-	487	835	286	-	1,121	13	7	1,101	-
Middlefield, . . .	-	168	-	250	408	146	25	579	131	4	444	-
Northampton, . .	2,948	2,268	-	-	3,216	9,948	925	16,089	74	2,170	13,845	-
Pelham, . . .	-	339	-	304	643	178	48	869	339	-	630	-
Pittsfield, . . .	-	678	-	450	1,128	120	60	1,308	678	-	630	40
Prescott, . . .	-	170	-	288	428	23	25	478	203	-	275	-
Southampton, . .	-	163	-	250	413	417	48	878	-	-	878	-
South Hadley, . .	1,519	1,591	43	-	3,153	741	163	4,057	125	85	3,847	-
Ware, . . .	1,984	2,809	169	144	5,106	6,579	852	12,537	680	1,057	10,800	-
Westhampton, . .	*83	339	-	88	510	40	12	562	-	10	552	-
Williamsburg, . .	-	255	-	1,034	1,289	765	100	2,154	-	79	2,075	-
Worthington, . .	-	324	-	407	731	48	-	779	163	8	608	-
Total, . . .	\$10,442	\$14,418	\$629	\$6,387	\$31,876	\$25,516	\$3,291	\$60,683	\$3,372	\$5,527	\$61,784	\$201

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MIDDLESEX.	Acton.	Arlington.	Asbury.	Ashland.	Ayer.	Bedford.	Belmont.	Billerica.	Boxborough.	Burlington.	Cambridge.	Carlisle.	Chelmsford.	Concord.	Dracut.	Dunstable.	Everett.	Frammingham.	Groton.	Holliston.	Hopkinton.	Hudson.	Lexington.	Lincoln.	Littleton.	Lowell.	Malden.	Marlborough.	Maynard.	Medford.	Melrose.	Newark.	Newton.	North Reading.	Pepperell.	Reading.
\$498	2,554	730	1,128	236	339	702	1,095	973	919	16,740	481	1,068	764	586	—	—	2,799	590	1,173	1,870	2,704	1,647	—	127	45,376	4,911	3,564	1,316	4,726	4,707	3,129	2,821	183	1,061	1,727	
\$354	730	203	1,128	236	339	702	1,095	973	919	24,628	749	689	885	—	—	1,573	1,641	339	1,221	1,410	817	730	843	—	10,650	6,373	3,122	620	1,836	1,110	2,678	3,274	170	540	907	
\$38	636	137	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,263	102	—	—	—	—	796	331	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,742	376	249	339	572	169	462	13	—	231	
\$560	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	\$338	
\$1,450	4,246	963	1,660	1,041	1,264	—	—	1,143	529	47,089	632	1,982	1,453	1,471	—	3,100	4,771	929	2,394	3,280	3,685	3,119	843	—	62,768	11,660	6,997	2,275	7,456	3,390	6,313	6,727	—	1,939	3,034	
\$83	1,400	279	199	646	97	—	—	1,211	140	10,692	136	319	529	291	461	4,396	8,166	954	2,300	1,742	2,228	1,840	299	162	30,874	13,374	6,083	650	4,829	850	4,745	5,260	10,042	383	1,732	
\$100	75	87	124	75	75	15	200	200	105	3,291	41	79	190	125	41	1,148	639	75	645	310	250	300	80	61	7,244	1,600	977	284	826	325	450	2,280	115	300		
\$1,633	5,721	1,319	1,983	1,762	1,436	1,576	2,554	689	1,090	61,072	709	2,380	2,172	1,887	502	8,644	13,576	1,938	5,339	6,332	6,153	6,259	1,222	340	100,868	26,634	14,057	3,209	13,135	8,460	12,013	19,019	799	2,602	6,066	
\$67	39	86	28	40	40	100	44	2,072	64	36	31	64	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
\$114	35	27	16	50	131	127	96	2,401	709	36	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
\$1,566	5,568	1,284	1,870	1,346	1,445	2,454	562	862	56,599	709	2,280	2,141	1,887	502	6,447	13,191	1,840	4,898	4,982	6,083	4,972	1,222	280	93,999	17,737	12,592	3,190	7,925	7,925	11,084	16,716	661	2,365	5,084		
\$195	476	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

† In Brockton and Malden.

* In Northampton.

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	* In Harvard.	† In Boston, Lowell and Cambridge.	‡ In Stoughton.	\$ In Wellesley.	Includes State.						
Brookline,	1,570	2,243	1,421	788	6,022	2,404	1,061	9,487	295	255	8,937
Canton,	1,890	1,631	275	510	4,306	2,376	160	6,832	17	31	6,784
Cohasset,	1,446	1,017	-	-	2,463	3,908	185	6,556	-	555	6,001
Dedham,	1,796	1,763	-	-	3,649	6,775	300	9,624	-	581	9,043
Dorchester,	358	358	-	155	513	44	75	632	-	44	588
Foxborough,	528	569	-	-	1,097	2,123	75	3,295	81	302	2,912
Franklin,	2,505	619	-	-	3,123	2,234	300	6,557	103	182	5,372
Holbrook,	1,252	1,252	-	776	2,028	2,081	266	4,325	160	160	4,165
Hyde Park,	1,919	1,919	581	-	2,500	3,435	640	6,575	115	233	6,227
Medford,	960	339	169	-	1,468	509	135	2,112	88	-	2,024
Medway,	1,335	947	-	97	2,379	2,690	263	5,332	117	135	5,080
Millis,	-	-	-	-	633	642	72	1,147	17	119	1,011
Milton,	2,616	1,021	394	316	4,347	3,271	300	7,918	25	50	7,843
Needham,	4,472	509	284	449	1,714	2,010	255	3,979	-	-	3,979
Norfolk,	-	-	-	286	286	524	54	864	-	131	733
Norwood,	-	1,117	-	169	1,286	4,081	160	5,517	12	150	5,355
Quincy,	2,080	3,427	83	-	5,690	3,353	13	8,956	-	11,196	7,760
Randolph,	1,808	1,779	-	187	3,774	2,898	300	6,372	85	596	6,292
Sharon,	2,22	339	-	-	561	370	375	1,306	43	31	1,235
Stoughton,	2,213	2,049	77	713	5,052	3,304	300	8,656	43	908	7,705
Waldpole,	1,471	678	-	169	2,318	704	160	3,172	-	26	3,148
Wellesley,	331	642	292	-	1,285	1,106	160	2,521	10	34	2,477
Westwood,	471	471	-	-	471	98	-	569	-	-	569
Weymouth,	5,893	1,977	594	169	8,633	8,018	957	17,608	48	838	16,722
Wrentham,	1,215	655	38	88	1,996	983	227	3,156	27	48	3,081
Total,	\$33,641	\$28,498	\$4,404	\$6,263	\$72,806	\$61,434	\$7,142	\$141,852	\$1,209	\$7,130	\$133,043
Plymouth.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Abington,	-	\$1,525	\$448	\$1,374	\$3,347	\$5,235	-	\$8,582	\$22	\$732	\$7,828
Bridgewater,	\$1,249	362	-	104	1,715	2,629	-	4,367	-	142	4,215
Brockton,	2,399	3,042	452	181	6,024	10,859	\$113	18,210	531	2,240	15,439
Carver,	60	316	85	1,066	1,627	874	39	2,446	15	4	2,427
Duxbury,	985	805	-	-	1,790	734	46	2,563	-	-	2,563
East Bridgewater,	1,119	976	-	-	2,095	903	141	3,139	16	301	2,822
Halifax,	-	145	-	311	456	459	20	835	-	-	825
Haverhill,	1,052	308	146	90	1,696	2,452	386	4,434	110	536	3,898
Hanson,	949	656	-	-	1,605	1,133	65	2,803	11	363	2,429
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East Bridgewater,	1,119	976	-	-	2,095	903	141	3,139	16	301	2,822
Halifax,	-	145	-	311	456	459	20	835	-	-	825
Haverhill,	1,052	308	146	90	1,696	2,452	386	4,434	110	536	3,898
Hanson,	949	656	-	-	1,605	1,133	65	2,803	11	363	2,429
Total,	\$33,641	\$28,498	\$4,404	\$6,263	\$72,806	\$61,434	\$7,142	\$141,852	\$1,209	\$7,130	\$133,043
Plymouth.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Abington,	-	\$1,525	\$448	\$1,374	\$3,347	\$5,235	-	\$8,582	\$22	\$732	\$7,828
Bridgewater,	\$1,249	362	-	104	1,715	2,629	-	4,367	-	142	4,215
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TABLE I. — PART I. — COST OF SUPPORT AND RELIEF — Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Cost of Full Support.						REIMBURSEMENTS.		Net Amount of Ordinary Pauper Expenses.	Extraordinary Ex- penses.
	Expense at Alms-houses.	Expense at Lunatic Hos- pitals.	Expense at other In- stitutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.	Expense of Partial Support.	Miscellaneous Expenses, chiefly Administrative.	Aggregate of Ord- inary Expenses.		
PLYMOUTH — Con.										
Hingham,	\$1,769	\$339	-	-	\$2,108	\$4,438	\$135	\$6,681	\$6,360	-
Hull,	-	-	-	-	-	634	129	763	667	-
Kingston,	83	738	-	\$644	1,465	1,276	100	2,841	2,489	-
Lakeville,	-	563	-	156	719	775	127	1,631	1,404	\$100
Marion,	-	287	-	416	703	329	90	1,122	1,122	44
Marshfield,	1,099	422	\$339	-	1,860	746	125	2,731	2,689	-
Mattapoisett,	722	74	-	-	796	586	164	1,546	1,389	-
Middleborough,	2,944	1,446	572	156	5,118	3,477	38	8,633	8,163	315
Norwell,	940	503	-	117	1,560	1,169	164	2,729	2,642	-
Pembroke,	853	561	-	126	1,530	1,093	65	2,690	2,516	59
Plymouth,	3,248	2,847	135	-	6,230	4,124	250	10,604	9,448	1,015
Plympton,	-	-	-	183	183	916	41	1,140	692	184
Rochester,	690	169	-	859	234	234	50	1,143	946	-
Rockland,	1,515	1,332	85	518	3,460	7,438	200	11,088	9,682	-
Scituate,	-	382	-	1,121	1,503	1,861	200	3,664	3,459	-
Wareham,	1,308	916	98	-	1,624	2,721	327	4,672	4,110	-
West Bridgewater,	502	170	-	212	782	2,762	200	1,944	1,924	-
Whitman,	*173	667	104	2,150	3,064	4,241	200	7,526	5,891	-
Total,	\$23,659	\$18,929	\$2,465	\$8,874	\$53,927	\$61,999	\$4,476	\$120,502	\$107,929	\$2,176
SUFFOLK.										
Boston,	\$97,558	\$263,065	\$69,413	\$18,442	\$448,448	\$104,169	\$33,984	\$586,601	\$570,125	\$3,770
Chelsea,	-	6,177	586	3,353	10,116	11,544	25,239	3,879	20,096	-
Revere,	-	1,721	128	608	2,457	3,561	400	6,418	5,576	-
Winthrop,	-	129	-	260	389	1,309	-	1,698	1,666	-
Total,	\$97,558	\$271,062	\$70,127	\$22,663	\$461,410	\$120,533	\$37,963	\$619,956	\$597,403	\$3,770

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

WORCESTER.		* In East Bridgewater.		† In Milford and Westborough.		‡ In Holden.	
Ashturnham,	\$740	\$431	-	\$1,257	\$1,082	\$166	\$2,475
Athol,	1,042	1,238	-	2,410	2,770	327	5,507
Auburn,	-	109	-	631	-	-	740
Barre,	1,112	167	-	1,383	507	154	1,830
Berlin,	-	339	-	800	400	50	1,250
Blackstone,	2,030	-	¢23	4,045	3,516	179	6,853
Bolton,	1,344	1,516	-	1,344	-	36	1,380
Boylston,	557	139	-	800	218	60	1,078
Brookfield,	1,106	581	-	1,788	2,270	500	4,558
Brookfield,	1,031	180	-	1,355	1,401	119	2,875
Charlton,	2,921	3,690	264	7,031	6,002	350	13,383
Clinton,	351	-	-	351	610	50	911
Dana,	778	-	-	937	3,121	185	4,243
Douglas,	784	319	-	1,227	2,064	200	2,491
Dudley,	8,959	3,045	511	12,515	14,958	1,530	29,003
Fitchburg,	2,356	1,056	-	3,412	3,004	763	7,179
Gardner,	2,276	1,106	130	3,851	1,642	215	5,708
Grafton,	1,131	851	-	1,982	2,770	89	4,841
Harwick,	461	328	-	789	210	96	1,055
Harvard,	367	545	-	912	585	6	1,483
Holden,	+317	275	-	763	504	125	1,362
Hopedale,	1,401	170	-	571	889	82	1,542
Hubbardston,	1,244	184	-	2,164	1,787	199	4,150
Lancaster,	2,009	508	227	2,517	624	83	3,234
Leicester,	2,146	2,088	-	4,402	3,173	319	7,894
Leominster,	1,263	169	-	1,635	371	50	2,056
Lennenburg,	-	339	203	339	636	49	1,024
Mendon,	3,178	2,906	-	6,084	6,352	573	13,009
Milford,	826	2,003	-	2,829	4,624	808	7,761
Milbury,	-	-	-	235	196	-	431
New Braintree,	724	595	156	1,319	944	129	2,392
Northborough,	488	1,671	-	2,239	2,507	200	4,946
Northbridge,	1,546	970	-	2,516	1,456	248	4,220
North Brookfield,	+200	-	-	200	301	60	561
Oakham,	2,209	847	-	3,256	1,888	215	5,389
Oxford,	+96	-	-	96	61	79	236
Paxton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

*** In East Bridgewater.**

† In Milford and Westborough.

† In Holden.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

TABLE I.—PART I.—COST OF SUPPORT AND RELIEF—Concluded.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	COST OF FULL SUPPORT.					Expense at Lunatic Hos- pitals.	Expense at other Insti- tutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.	Expense of Partial Support.	Miscellaneous Expenses, chiefly Administrative.	Aggregate of Ord- inary Expenses.	REIMBURSEMENTS.		Net Amount of Ordinary Pauper Expenses.	Extraordinary Ex- penses.	
	Expense at Almshouses.	Expense at Lunatic Hos- pitals.	Expense at other Insti- tutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.								By the State.	By other Cities and Towns.			
WORCESTER.—Con.																	
Petersham,	£402	£127	-	-	£529	£943	£50					£1,522	£17	£456		£1,049	-
Philipston,	*199	169	-	-	368	634	45					1,047	85	92		870	-
Princeton,	-	169	-	£419	588	145	60					793	299	129		793	232
Royalston,	-	-	-	455	455	863	57					1,375	301	799		4,777	741
Rutland,	*318	-	-	-	318	349	111					778	-	6		1,375	-
Shewsbury,	696	146	-	-	842	634	60					1,536	164	266		1,536	-
Southborough,	-	478	£169	-	1,919	1,189	100					3,208	299	129		2,778	-
Southbridge,	2,029	1,769	350	-	4,148	881	323					6,352	301	799		4,924	200
Spencer,	2,064	695	-	-	2,659	2,946	272					6,877	-	2		4,777	741
Sterling,	1,142	143	-	-	1,285	460	85					1,830	-	98		1,828	200
Sturbridge,	743	539	47	297	1,626	909	67					2,602	-	664		2,504	150
Sutton,	1,150	146	-	170	1,466	1,464	175					3,105	-	98		2,441	470
Templeton,	985	474	49	-	1,508	1,532	206					3,266	12	-		3,354	-
Upton,	1,077	316	-	-	1,393	273	75					1,741	-	-		1,741	-
Uxbridge,	1,031	938	-	-	1,969	2,235	347					4,551	215	362		3,974	1,626
Warren,	720	382	-	-	1,102	1,927	503					3,532	174	740		2,618	-
Webster,	1,747	2,056	-	-	3,803	4,165	575					8,543	411	914		7,218	302
Westborough,	1,287	1,658	-	-	2,945	2,484	221					5,650	166	549		4,935	-
West Boylston,	822	752	-	253	1,827	1,449	253					3,529	130	49		3,350	-
West Brookfield,	1,024	394	-	-	1,418	1,179	75					2,672	-	57		2,615	-
Westminster,	*206	-	-	-	206	878	89					1,173	30	175		968	-
Winchendon,	1,005	651	339	-	1,995	1,468	193					3,646	199	98		3,351	-
Worcester,	22,990	6,378	3,055	169	32,592	7,768	29,175					69,525	2,664	1,989		64,872	31,973
Total,	£87,632	£46,638	£5,625	£6,518	£146,413	£110,695	£40,914					£298,022	£9,657	£19,398		£268,967	£47,381

* In Holden.

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

SUMMARY BY COUNTIES.

COUNTIES.	COST OF FULL SUPPORT.						Expense of Partial Support.	Miscellaneous Expenses, chiefly Administrative.	Aggregate of Ordinary Expenses.	REIMBURSEMENTS.		Net Amount of Ordinary Pauper Expenses.	Extraordinary Expenses.
	Expense at Almshouses.	Expense at Lunatic Hospitals.	Expense at other Institutions.	Expense in Private Families.	Total of Full Support.	Expense of Partial Support.				By the State.	By other Cities and Towns.		
Barnstable,	\$10,161	\$8,066	\$335	\$3,142	\$21,704	\$20,095	\$2,642	\$41,441	\$926	\$2,122	\$211	\$41,393	\$211
Berkshire,	13,770	15,298	2,398	19,588	51,054	42,261	5,216	98,521	5,006	4,054	1,909	89,461	1,909
Bristol,	69,069	47,803	2,264	4,686	121,722	119,273	20,123	261,118	13,013	10,548	3,675	287,567	3,675
Dukes,	-	1,095	-	1,772	2,867	1,038	107	4,012	149	-	3,863	3,863	-
Essex,	92,444	81,329	16,759	8,036	198,568	123,676	13,351	335,595	11,124	24,133	56,458	300,338	56,458
Franklin,	6,329	11,449	339	5,470	23,587	17,023	1,868	42,478	4,673	2,403	615	36,402	615
Hampden,	46,082	24,389	1,160	6,548	78,179	68,132	8,862	155,173	13,078	9,581	7,206	132,514	7,206
Hampshire,	10,442	14,418	629	6,387	31,876	25,516	3,291	60,683	3,372	5,627	201	51,784	201
Middlesex,	129,297	72,937	17,173	15,339	294,746	152,403	30,395	437,544	20,168	24,192	18,047	393,184	18,047
Nantucket,	2,350	1,984	630	104	4,968	3,423	469	8,860	125	1,417	70	7,318	70
Norfolk,	33,641	28,498	4,404	6,263	72,806	61,434	7,142	141,382	1,209	7,130	2,943	133,043	2,943
Plymouth,	23,659	18,929	2,465	8,874	53,927	61,999	4,576	120,502	1,481	11,092	2,176	107,929	2,176
Suffolk,	97,558	271,062	70,127	22,663	461,410	120,583	87,963	619,956	10,437	12,066	3,770	697,453	3,770
Worcester,	87,632	46,638	5,625	6,518	146,413	110,695	40,914	298,022	9,657	19,398	47,381	268,967	47,381
Total,	\$620,433	\$663,895	\$124,206	\$115,292	\$1,523,825	\$927,542	\$176,919	\$2,628,287	\$94,418	\$133,633	\$144,662	\$2,400,206	\$144,662

NOTE.—Under the head of "Extraordinary Expenses" are included \$115,665 for "Land or Improvements," and \$28,997 for "Miscellaneous Expenses," which have sometimes heretofore been reported among the expenses of administration. The former amount covers the cost of new almshouses or of additions to old ones, improved systems of heating or water supply, and other conveniences; the latter amount covers expenses not perhaps in their nature extraordinary, but considered as not belonging exclusively to the current year's account. Of the total extraordinary expenses reported \$95,621 was mainly met by direct appropriations for improvements; the remaining \$49,041 has been paid from the common pauper appropriations, and probably for that reason has also been reported among ordinary expenses. The aggregate net expenditures on pauper account amount to \$2,400,206.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

TABLE I. — *Expense and Number of the Poor of the Massachusetts Cities and Towns for the Year ending March 31, 1898, as shown by the Pauper Returns and Annual Reports.*

[The State Poor in Institutions not included.]

PART II. — NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.										PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.				Daily Average of Va- grancy.		
		AGGREGATES.			IN ALMSHOUSES.			IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.			ELSEWHERE.			PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.				
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Within the Year.	Approximate Aver- age No.			
														Males.	Females.			
BARNSTABLE.																		
Barnstable,	4,055	18	16.	17	11	10.3	11	7	5.7	6	-	-	-	114	66	81	.2	
Bourne,	1,580	3	3.	3	1	1.	1	2	2.	2	-	-	-	44	10	9	.6	
Brewster,	901	13	10.	12	11	8.	10	6	2.	2	-	-	-	15	3	2	-	
Chatham,	1,809	13	10.	14	10	7.8	6	6	4.8	2	-	-	-	26	9	17	-	
Dennis,	2,545	8	7.3	7	5	5.	5	3	2.3	2	-	-	-	101	39	62	-	
Eastham,	476	5	4.5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Falmouth,	2,655	15	13.1	13	8	7.	7	5	5.	5	2	1.1	1	28	12	16	.8	
Harwich,	2,532	20	17.9	19	12	12.	12	7	5.7	6	1	1.2	2	84	33	51	.4	
Mashpee,	330	8	7.4	7	-	-	-	3	2.5	3	5	4.9	4	2	2	2	.1	
Orleans,	1,198	8	8.	8	-	-	-	1	1.	1	7	7.	7	8	5	5	-	
Provincetown,	4,555	21	15.2	15	11	6.7	7	10	6.7	7	2	1.8	-	199	89	110	-	
Sandwich,	1,580	19	16.5	13	15	12.	12	5	3.9	1	1	.5	-	73	36	37	.3	
Truro,	815	4	3.2	3	-	-	-	4	3.2	3	-	-	-	11	7	4	-	
Wellfleet,	968	5	5.	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5.	5	8	2	6	-	
Yarmouth,	1,655	15	10.1	11	10	5.2	7	4	3.9	3	1	1.	1	66	39	27	.1	
Total,	29,654	180	151.8	152	94	75.	78	59	48.7	47	31	28.1	27	779	363	416	1.7	

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

TABLE I. — *Expense and Number of the Poor of the Massachusetts Cities and Towns for the Year ending March 31, 1898, as shown by the Pauper Returns and Annual Reports.*

[The State Poor in Institutions not included.]

PART II. — NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

	7,837	38	23.7	24	19	12.6	12	13	10.1	11	1	1.	1	128	43	86	67	-
BRECKENRIDGE.																		
Adams, . . .	980	5	2.9	5	-	-	-	3	2.4	2	6	2.9	1	1	1	1	4	1.1
Alford, . . .	888	10	8.5	8	-	-	-	1	1.1	1	7	6.1	6	24	14	15	4	.4
Becket, . . .	1,176	16	10.3	14	-	-	-	1	1	1	15	10.2	14	33	18	10	4	1.5
Cheshire, . . .	1,009	1	1	1	-	-	-	6	6.1	5	34	34	34	115	61	64	51	
Clarksburg, . . .	3,210	40	39.1	39	-	-	-	1	1.5	1	6	6.3	6	1	1	-	-	
Dalton, . . .	836	7	5.9	5	-	-	-	2	1.5	1	1	1	1	53	25	28	26	
Egremont, . . .	425	3	2.5	2	-	-	-	12	10.1	11	28	24.1	22	1	1	-	-	
Florida, . . .	4,974	37	34.2	33	-	-	-	3	8.	3	1	1.	1	27	14	13	10	2.1
Great Barrington, . . .	611	1	1	1	-	-	-	3	8.	3	5	4.6	5	64	31	33	7	.1
Hancock, . . .	1,650	8	7.6	8	-	-	-	5	5.	5	3	4.3	4	122	48	74	43	.7
Hinsdale, . . .	848	5	4.3	4	-	-	-	5	5.	2	19	14.6	17	20	12	8	4	
Lanesborough, . . .	4,065	19	15.5	16	11	7.5	8	3	2.7	2	2	2.	1	8	4	4	8	
Lee, . . .	2,572	22	17.3	19	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	1	1	1	-	-	
Lenox, . . .	464	3	3.	2	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1.	1	1	1	-	-	
Monterey, . . .	136	1	1	1	-	-	-	2	2.	2	6	5.9	5	10	7	3	5	
Mount Washington, . . .	116	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	18	5	3.8	5	442	105	247	80	1.3
New Ashford, . . .	1,288	75	42.7	49	49	23.4	26	22	15.5	1	6	3.5	2	13	8	5	6	
New Marlborough, . . .	19,135	75	42.7	49	49	23.4	26	22	15.5	1	6	3.5	2	13	8	5	6	
North Adams, . . .	518	6	3.5	2	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	2.1	2	747	337	410	180	11.8
Otis, . . .	306	1	1.	1	-	-	-	1	1.	8	8	2.1	2	747	337	410	180	11.8
Peru, . . .	20,461	103	59.8	59	84	48.8	49	11	8.9	1	5	5.	5	17	13	4	11	.9
Pittsfield, . . .	701	6	6.	6	-	-	-	1	1.	1	5	5.	5	11	3	8	8	
Richmond, . . .	802	6	5.8	5	-	-	-	3	3.	3	3	2.8	2	11	3	3	1	
Savoy, . . .	504	5	4.2	4	-	-	-	3	2.4	7	6	1.8	1	18	6	9	15	.3
Sherfield, . . .	1,897	13	10.7	12	-	-	-	7	6.1	6	16	4.6	14	54	30	24	8	
Stockbridge, . . .	2,077	22	17.7	20	-	-	-	6	5.8	6	6	11.9	14	54	30	24	8	
Tyringham, . . .	363	6	5.9	4	-	-	-	3	2.5	3	2	5.9	4	1	1	1	4	
Washington, . . .	423	5	3.5	5	-	-	-	3	2.5	3	2	1.	2	7	3	4	4	
West Stockbridge, . . .	1,257	17	15.4	14	-	-	-	8	3.	8	14	12.4	12	19	65	66	75	1.2
Williamstown, . . .	4,887	15	10.8	12	7	4.2	4	3	6.6	8	-	-	-	131	65	66	75	
Windsor, . . .	556	1	1.	1	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	
Total, . . .	86,292	500	373.7	383	170	96.5	99	122	101.4	105	213	175.8	179	2,094	904	1,140	635	21.4

* In Sandwich.

TABLE I.—PART II.—NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.—Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.										PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.				Daily Average of Va- cancies.	
		AGGREGATES.			IN ALMOUSHOUSES.			IN LONATIC HOSPITALS.			ELSEWHERE.			WITHIN THE YEAR.			
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Males.	Females.	Approximate Aver- age No.			
BRISTOL.																	
Acushnet.	1,115	5	4.3	4			4	4.	3	3	1	11	5	6	7	3	
Attleborough.	8,298	24	14.9	15			10	8.1	8	8	2	205	108	97	51	1.4	
Berkley.	985	3	2.1	3			1	1.	1	1	1	11	4	7	8	1.4	
Dartmouth.	3,107	25	15.3	14			7	8.9	2	5	2	86	31	54	33	4	
Dighton.	1,787	7	5.5	5			1	1.	1	1	1	62	31	31	34	4	
Easton.	4,632	30	23.8	24			14	10.4	10	10	2	110	57	53	74	1.	
Fairhaven.	3,338	14	9.2	11			4	3.5	4	4		121	62	59	11	1.7	
Fall River.	89,203	965	342.3	370			174	127.7	143	26	26	4,476	2,170	2,306	1,138	11.	
Freetown.	1,405	9	7.6	7			2	1.6	2	2		28	12	16	6	1.	
Mansfield.	3,722	14	13.2	13			4	3.4	4	4	3	68	20	28	28	10.1	
New Bedford.	55,281	270	142.8	154			69	69.9	56	1	1	6,375	2,628	3,847	654	4.3	
North Attleborough.	6,576	31	22.4	25			14	9.2	11	1	1	72	29	43	45	4.4	
Norton.	1,614	11	9.7	10			5	3.7	3	3		26	12	14	4	6	
Raynham.	1,518	4	4.	4			1	1.	1	3	3	99	41	58	36	1.9	
Raynham.	1,810	10	9.4	9			4	3.9	3	3		16	2	14	4	1.9	
Rehoboth.	1,466	6	5.5	5								19	13	6	8	1.4	
Seekonk.	1,963	15	11.9	12			4	3.9	2	2		65	30	35	10	2.2	
Somerset.	1,688	6	5.4	5			2	1.7	2	2		5	3	2	2	2.2	
Swansea.	1,627	9	5.8	8			63	58.4	56	21	10	1,141	546	595	324	6.9	
Taunton.	27,115	180	116.2	113			2	2.	2	2		44	17	27	18	1.1	
Westport.	2,678	17	9.9	10													
Total.	219,019	1,639	775.4	813	1,182	409.8	385	310.8	317	86	54.8	54	13,019	6,721	7,298	2,495	53.1

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.																					
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
1	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	39
12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88	88
101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101
74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74	74
101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101	101
75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75
275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636	636
14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682	682
10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1
32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206	206
2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180
6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

Duxes.	304	2	2.	17	18	16.9	30	13.1	21	-	-	6	5.4	12	11.5	12	39	18	21	6	1	-	-
Chilmark,	1,038	4	3.4	35	44	33.6	35	29	24.9	-	-	38	17.5	3	3.	3	125	47	101	74	1	-	-
Cottage City,	1,126	9	8.5	43	38	33.9	38	29	27.6	-	-	30	9.	-	3 -	2	125	47	101	75	15	-	-
Edgartown,	169	-	-	3	3	27.6	38	38	27.6	-	-	11	10.5	3	3 -	8	415	184	231	275	3	-	-
Gay Head,	140	-	-	3	3	3	3	3	3	-	-	23	2.	-	-	8	8	4	4	1	1	-	-
Gosnold,	1,002	-	-	1	1	1.	31	1	1.	-	-	2	21.	10	9.7	129	67	73	37	37	1	-	-
Tisbury,	460	2	2.	2	2	2.	9	9	9	-	-	2	1.3	1	1.	25	7	18	6	6	1	-	-
West Tisbury,	4,238	18	16.9	17	18	16.9	17	18	16.9	-	-	2	2.	7	3.9	75	37	38	656	25	3	-	-
Total,	9,986	44	33.6	30	44	33.6	30	44	33.6	-	-	7	3.	4	5.	1,41	476	34	14	12	2	-	-
Essex.	6,145	38	33.9	35	38	33.9	35	38	33.9	-	-	3	3.	5	5.	53	19	34	3	3	2	-	-
Amebury,	11,806	53	41.7	43	53	41.7	43	53	41.7	-	-	3	3.	7	5.	3	1	2	2	7	-	-	-
Andover,	727	6	5.	6	6	5.	6	6	5.	-	-	3	2.	-	-	3	1	2	2	7	-	-	-
Beverly,	8,181	34	31.7	31	34	31.7	31	34	31.7	-	-	2	2.	3	3.	3	1	2	2	7	-	-	-
Boxford,	1,887	13	10.9	12	13	10.9	12	13	10.9	-	-	2	1.3	1	1.	25	7	18	6	6	1	-	-
Danvers,	2,050	16	9.9	11	16	9.9	11	16	9.9	-	-	2	2.	1	1.	75	37	38	656	25	3	-	-
Essex,	28,211	108	71.7	71	108	71.7	71	108	71.7	-	-	40	35.8	7	3.9	1,41	476	34	14	12	2	-	-
Georgetown,	2,333	11	8.6	7	11	8.6	7	11	8.6	-	-	3	2.9	-	-	53	19	34	3	3	2	-	-
Gloucester,	1,366	6	5.	6	6	5.	6	6	5.	-	-	3	2.9	-	-	3	1	2	2	7	-	-	-
Groveland,	34,945	275	139.3	142	275	139.3	142	275	139.3	-	-	53	32.	3	3.	17	13.3	643	653	682	10.1	-	-
Hamilton,	4,720	25	19.6	18	25	19.6	18	25	19.6	-	-	16	3.	3	3.	2	70	25	45	43	32	-	-
Haverhill,	52,164	483	371.8	327	483	371.8	327	483	371.8	-	-	213	91.6	33	25.7	22	707	245	462	387	72	-	-
Lawrence,	62,364	388	265.5	254	388	265.5	254	388	265.5	-	-	109	123.3	74	31.2	31	1,725	760	965	568	5	-	-
Lynn,	818	5	4.3	4	5	4.3	4	5	4.3	-	-	2	1.5	1	1.8	6	3	3	3	5	5	-	-
Malden,	1,976	9	9.	9	9	9.	9	9	9.	-	-	4	4.	4	-	17	13	11	13	13	1	-	-
Manchester,	7,971	35	33.6	35	35	33.6	35	35	33.6	-	-	4	9.6	4	3.4	280	124	166	206	206	2.5	-	-
Marblehead,	2,301	13	10.7	10	13	10.7	10	13	10.7	-	-	8	6.9	7	7	19	11	8	8	8	1	-	-
Merrimac,	5,680	28	23.4	24	28	23.4	24	28	23.4	-	-	14	14.	7	2.5	174	78	96	13	13	2.3	-	-
Methuen,	838	9	4.5	8	9	4.5	8	9	4.5	-	-	2	2.	2	2	9	5	4	4	4	1.4	-	-
Middleton,	865	1	1.	1	1	1.	1	1	1.	-	-	1	1.	1	1	6	3	3	3	3	8	-	-
Nahant,	1,489	5	5.	5	5	5.	5	5	5.	-	-	1	1.	1	1	21	10	11	11	11	8	-	-
Newbury,	14,562	120	83.1	91	120	83.1	91	120	83.1	-	-	46	40.3	10	2	408	132	276	48	48	6.2	-	-
Newburyport	3,569	24	14.	17	24	14.	17	24	14.	-	-	5	7.2	2	2.	85	37	48	39	39	1.2	-	-
North Andover,	10,507	90	65.9	70	90	65.9	70	90	65.9	-	-	31	28.3	9	9	227	100	127	186	186	3.1	-	-
Peabody,	5,289	22	17.6	16	22	17.6	16	22	17.6	-	-	8	8.7	2	2								

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TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.												PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.				Daily Average of Va- grancy.	
		AGGREGATES.			IN ALMSHOUSES.			IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.			ELSEWHERE.			WITHIN THE YEAR.					
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Males.	Females.	Approximate Aver- age No.			
Essex — Con.																			
Rowley, . . .	1,272	10	8.2	7	—	—	—	2	2.	2	2	8	6.2	5	62	33	29	34	.2
Salem, . . .	34,472	297	213.7	216	180	116.5	127	63	44.1	39	67	53.1	50	2	1,399	586	813	647	4.1
Salisbury, . . .	1,300	4	3.1	4	—	—	—	2	1.1	2	2	2.	2	2	41	19	22	16	.1
Saugus, . . .	4,497	19	16.6	16	10	6.6	7	9	9.	9	2	2.	2	2	65	24	41	21	—
Swampscott, . . .	3,259	11	9.4	8	7	3.4	2	8	7.4	6	3	2.	2	2	42	19	23	20	—
Topsfield, . . .	1,033	9	6.4	4	7	3.4	2	2	2.	2	—	—	—	—	8	4	6	6	—
Wenham, . . .	886	1	7.7	1	—	—	—	1	4.3	1	—	—	—	—	9	3	6	7	.8
West Newbury, . . .	1,643	13	7.9	10	9	3.6	5	5	—	6	—	—	—	—	37	23	14	6	3.3
Total, . . .	330,393	2,223	1,584.3	1,541	1,320	880.4	835	638	540.	522	280	193.9	184	8,959	3,811	5,148	3,251	63.8	
FRANKLIN.																			
Ashfield, . . .	1,013	6	5.3	4	3	2.3	1	3	3.	3	3	5	5.	—	20	10	10	4	—
Barnardston, . . .	778	8	8.	8	6	5.5	5	5	2.3	3	2	1.	1	—	2	2	14	15	.6
Buckland, . . .	1,648	13	8.3	8	—	—	—	6	2.6	3	2	2.	2	—	23	9	11	4	.4
Charlemont, . . .	1,041	5	4.6	4	—	—	—	3	3.	2	3	2.1	3	3	18	7	11	3	—
Cohain, . . .	1,610	6	4.1	5	—	—	—	3	2.	3	3	1.	1	1	24	11	13	7	—
Conway, . . .	1,304	10	8.4	9	3	2.1	3	6	6.	5	2	1.3	1	1	12	4	8	4	.1
Deerfield, . . .	3,007	5	4.3	3	3	2.6	2	1	1.7	1	2	1.	1	1	19	6	13	4	.2
Erving, . . .	964	5	5.	5	—	—	—	1	—	—	4	4.	4	4	31	13	18	12	.2
Gill, . . .	1,082	1	2.	—	9	5.6	8	8	2.	5	—	—	—	—	10	3	7	5	.2
Greenfield, . . .	6,229	18	12.8	14	9	3.	3	—	6.2	5	1	1.	1	1	178	98	80	78	—
Hawley, . . .	468	4	4.	4	3	—	—	2	—	—	1	1.	1	1	8	5	6	3	—
Heath, . . .	476	3	3.	3	—	—	—	2	2.	2	1	1.	1	1	9	3	6	1	—

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

	744	6	6	5.2	5	-	-	-	47	78	66.7	65	59	50.4	49	809	379	430	286	3.6
Leverett, . . .	363	4	3	3.	2	-	-	-	-	5	4.7	5	-	-	-	41	21	20	18	2
Leyden, . . .	298	1	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	6	7	4	-
Monroe, . . .	6,058	37	29	29.	30	15	8.2	10	10	5	-	-	4	8.1	3	138	67	71	68	-
Montague, . .	869	9	6.4	6.4	5	3	1.8	1	6	8	7.5	7	14	13.3	13	66	1	2	2	.4
New Salem, .	1,851	9	7.8	7.8	5	3	1.8	1	6	6	4.6	4	6	4.8	5	34	34	32	15	.3
Northfield, . .	5,361	9	5.6	5.6	6	5	4.3	4	2	3	3.	3	6	4.8	5	122	66	66	49	.7
Orange, . . .	498	2	1.4	1.4	2	-	-	-	2	2	1.4	2	-	-	-	10	7	3	2	.5
Rowe, . . .	1,560	3	3.	3.	3	-	-	-	1	1	1.	1	2	2.	2	17	10	7	6	-
Shelburne, . .	444	9	4.	4.	9	5	5.	5	4	4	4.	4	3	8.	3	22	11	11	6	-
Shutesbury, .	696	5	4.	4.	5	5	5.	5	2	2	1.	2	3	8.	3	6	3	3	2	-
Sunderland, .	599	14	9.3	9.3	5	11	6.3	6	3	3	3.	3	2	1.1	1	21	6	15	3	-
Warwick, . . .	529	7	6.	6.	5	-	-	-	5	5	4.9	4	5	4.1	4	26	6	20	5	-
Wendell, . . .	755	6	5.1	5.1	5	-	-	-	1	1	1.	1	5	4.1	4	4	3	1	1	.1
Whately, . . .																				
Total, . . .	40,145	203	163.8	161	66	46.7	47	5	47	78	66.7	65	59	50.4	49	809	379	430	286	3.6
HAMPTEN.																				
Agawan, . . .	2,408	11	9.3	10	6	4.6	5	5	5	5	4.7	5	-	-	-	41	21	20	18	2
Blandford, . .	849	4	3.1	3	12	8.5	8	8	8	3	-	-	-	-	-	16	6	7	4	-
Brimfield, . .	962	12	8.6	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	6	7	4	-
Chester, . . .	1,429	14	12.1	11	82	51.2	49	-	49	37	2.2	3	11	9.9	8	35	12	23	9	2.
Chicopee, . . .	16,420	137	97.9	93	3	*1	1.1	-	-	2	30.9	30	18	16.8	14	883	367	516	200	9.1
East Longmeadow, .	1,591	4	2.2	3	3	-	-	-	-	4	1.6	2	1	5	1	20	10	10	10	-
Granville, . .	1,005	7	4.9	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	3.1	3	3	1.8	1	48	20	28	19	1.
Hampden, . . .	743	6	5.5	6	4	1	1.	1	1	5	4.5	5	-	-	-	14	5	9	6	.3
Holland, . . .	199	2	2.	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	-	1,932	932	1,000	380	10.5
Holyoke, . . .	40,822	217	140.8	152	126	82.3	78	65	78	65	47.4	54	28	20.1	20	1,932	932	1,000	380	10.5
Longmeadow, .	620	1	1.	1	*1	1.	1	1	1	1	1.	1	4	2.6	2	23	13	3	3	.1
Ludlow, . . .	2,562	5	3.6	3	3	15.3	16	6	16	6	1.	1	2	2.	2	40	25	15	11	.7
Monson, . . .	3,746	26	21.8	23	18	26.	22	2	22	2	4.5	5	1	1.	-	12	7	5	1	-
Montgomery, .	3,275	8	2.1	1	39	26.	22	9	22	9	8.1	9	1	1.	-	345	173	172	202	1.7
Palmer, . . .	6,868	47	34.1	31	5	-	-	1	1	1	1.	1	5	3.9	6	28	14	14	6	1.
Russell, . . .	846	6	4.9	5	-	-	-	5	5	5	4.3	5	8	6.8	6	5	3	2	3	-
Southwick, . .	961	13	11.1	11	377	135.5	188	35	188	35	12.6	13	8	4.5	3	1,553	704	849	300	4.2
Springfield, .	51,522	420	152.6	204	3	-	-	1	-	1	4.	1	2	2.	2	1	-	1	-	-
Tolland, . . .	309	3	2.4	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-

† In Monson.

* In Springfield.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

TABLE I. — PART II. — NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED — Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1896.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.												PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.					Daily Average of Va- stancy.				
		AGGREGATES.				IN ALMHOUSES.				IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.				ELSEWHERE.									
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1896.		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1896.		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1896.		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1896.		Whole No.		Males.	Females.	Approximate Aver- age No.	
HAMPDEN — Con.	783	5	5.	5										13	5	8	9	8			3	5	6
Wales, . . .	10,663	62	46.8	47	28	39	26.3	39	19.5	18	23	19.5	18	424	210	214	92	7.1			92	7.1	7.1
West Springfield, . . .	6,125	26	22.4	24	1	*1	1.	1	6.5	6	7	6.5	17	235	112	143	66	—			66	—	—
Wilbraham, . . .	1,740	3	2.3	1					1.	1	1	1.	—	36	16	20	6	.3			6	.3	.3
Total, . . .	152,938	1,034	605.5	651	703	352.9	397	121	157.5	166	215	157.5	88	5,743	2,667	3,076	1,361	38.			1,361	38.	38.
HAMPSHIRE.																							
Amherst, . . .	4,785	15	11.8	11	7	4.6	8	1	6.2	7	7	6.2	—	65	45	10	8	1.4			8	1.4	1.4
Belchertown, . . .	2,161	13	9.7	11	10	6.7	8	—	3.	3	3	3.	—	43	22	21	13	.9			13	.9	.9
Chesterfield, . . .	689	6	5.9	6	—	—	—	—	2.	2	2	2.	—	11	7	6	7	—			7	—	—
Cumington, . . .	750	15	10.	8	—	—	—	—	1.5	1	2	1.5	7	11	7	4	5	.1			5	.1	.1
Kashampton, . . .	4,790	23	21.2	20	14	13.5	13	3	4.7	4	6	4.7	3	122	46	77	15	1.			15	1.	1.
Enfield, . . .	990	6	5.5	5	—	—	—	2	4.	4	2	4.	2	6	3	3	2	.2			2	.2	.2
Gosben, . . .	304	2	2.	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	.1			1	.1	.1
Granby, . . .	748	4	3.7	3	+2	1.2	—	3	1.4	2	—	—	1	13	4	9	6	.3			6	.3	.3
Greenwich, . . .	481	6	5.1	6	3	3.	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	21	11	10	6	—			6	—	—
Hadley, . . .	1,704	9	8.4	8	6	6.	6	—	2.4	2	3	2.4	—	30	17	13	6	.8			6	.8	.8
Hatfield, . . .	1,262	12	9.6	9	+2	2.	2	6	4.	4	4	4.	3	12	9	8	—	—			—	—	—
Huntington, . . .	1,450	8	7.2	7	—	—	—	5	3.	3	3	3.	3	11	9	9	2	1.1			2	1.1	1.1
Middlefield, . . .	386	4	4.	4	—	—	—	3	1.	1	1	1.	1	10	5	6	4	—			4	—	—
Northampton, . . .	16,746	63	39.5	36	44	25.1	21	1	13.4	14	19	13.4	3	640	251	289	189	3.5			189	3.5	3.5
Pelham, . . .	486	6	4.7	5	—	—	—	4	2.	2	2	2.	—	5	3	2	1	—			2	—	—
Painfield, . . .	450	7	6.3	6	—	—	—	3	4.	4	4	4.	4	2.3	2	—	—	—			—	—	—

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.																				
Prescott, . . .	401	4	23	2	2	115	80.6	75	103	87.6	88	74	68.9	56	1,465	690	776	419	9.8	.3
Southampton, . . .	1,054	3	2.1	2	2	—	—	—	1	.4	1	1	1.3	1	18	5	8	1	6	1
South Hadley, . . .	4,443	20	18.4	18	11	8	8.	10	11	9.4	9	2	1.7	2	14	44	9	2	16	—
Ware, . . .	7,651	40	29.6	30	20	18	18.1	18	20	18.1	18	2	2.	2	413	174	239	125	2	—
Westampton, . . .	476	5	4.5	4	2	1	1.	1	2	2.	3	2	1.5	1	2	—	22	2	2	.1
Williamsburg, . . .	1,855	11	10.1	11	3	—	—	—	3	2.1	3	8	8.	8	44	22	22	14	1	—
Worthington, . . .	648	6	6.5	6	2	—	—	—	2	2.	2	4	3.5	8	3	1	2	1	—	—
Total, . . .	54,710	288	227.1	219	103	115	80.6	75	103	87.6	88	74	68.9	56	1,465	690	776	419	9.8	9.8
MIDDLESEX.																				
Acton, . . .	1,978	7	6.1	6	2	3	2.9	3	2	2.	2	2	1.2	1	19	10	9	2	1.3	1.3
Arlington, . . .	6,515	19	16.8	14	6	6	6.9	6	6	6.9	6	4	3.	3	62	17	36	21	1.6	1.6
Ashby, . . .	804	8	8.1	8	2	7	6.7	6	2	1.4	2	—	—	—	12	7	6	2	—	—
Ashland, . . .	2,090	12	9.4	9	4	4	4.9	4	3	1.6	3	3	3.	3	27	17	10	8	10.	10.
Ayer, . . .	2,101	9	8.2	9	3	6	5.2	6	3	3.	3	—	—	—	19	9	10	8	—	—
Bedford, . . .	1,189	9	8.4	9	1	8	7.4	8	1	1.	1	—	—	—	5	2	3	1	2.3	2.3
Belmont, . . .	2,843	—	7.	7	—	6	6.	—	1	1.	1	—	—	—	62	21	31	17	2.8	2.8
Billerica, . . .	2,577	3	2.5	3	1	—	—	—	1	1.	1	2	1.6	1	47	22	26	6	1.7	1.7
Boxborough, . . .	574	5	4.5	5	—	5	4.5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	6	2	—	2.2	2.2
Burlington, . . .	81,643	462	304.5	317	222	172	116.3	122	172	140.5	148	78	47.7	47	1,713	681	1,082	510	2.7	2.7
Cambridge, . . .	3,492	16	13.	12	4	9	7.6	7	4	3.2	3	3	3.2	2	34	19	15	2	.7	.7
Carlisle, . . .	5,175	12	10.1	11	6	6	5.2	6	6	4.9	6	—	—	—	32	15	17	6	2.9	2.9
Chelmsford, . . .	6,175	8	7.6	8	3	3	3.	3	5	4.6	5	—	—	—	11	6	6	3	3.9	3.9
Concord, . . .	2,443	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	2	—	—	—
Dracut, . . .	400	32	25.5	24	20	—	—	—	20	15.7	16	12	9.8	8	400	172	238	120	.2	.2
Dunstable, . . .	18,573	43	31.4	30	18	23	14.3	13	18	15.2	16	2	1.9	1	288	187	161	114	9.8	9.8
Everett, . . .	9,512	17	11.9	14	2	15	9.9	12	2	2.	2	—	—	—	38	24	14	8	—	—
Frammingham, . . .	2,192	21	14.4	16	14	7	8.5	11	7	6.8	5	—	—	—	121	63	58	49	2.5	2.5
Groton, . . .	2,718	36	25.6	25	10	26	16.3	15	10	10.	10	—	—	—	101	45	66	31	2.8	2.8
Holliston, . . .	2,984	31	18.2	17	9	21	11.2	11	9	6.9	6	2	1.1	1	163	69	94	61	2.8	2.8
Hopkinton, . . .	5,808	13	9.5	10	4	7	4.2	5	4	3.3	3	2	2.	2	77	47	30	21	5.	5.
Hudson, . . .	3,498	5	4.3	4	—	—	—	—	5	4.3	4	—	—	—	5	2	3	1	.4	.4
Lexington, . . .	1,111	1	1.	1	—	1	1.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	9	8	1	.5	.5
Lincoln, . . .	1,136	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,172	1,478	1,694	1,860	6.4	6.4
Littleton, . . .	84,367	1,227	630.8	630	101	1,102	526.1	531	101	77.9	68	44	26.8	31	3,172	1,478	1,694	1,860	6.4	6.4
Lowell, . . .	84,367	1,227	630.8	630	101	1,102	526.1	531	101	77.9	68	44	26.8	31	3,172	1,478	1,694	1,860	6.4	6.4

* In Springfield.

† In Amherst.

‡ In Northampton.

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* In Springfield.

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

	9	6.4	5	6	3.7	3	2	1.6	1	2	1.1	1	11	3	8	9	3.5
Weston, . . .	1,710	6.4	5	2	2.	2	3	3.	8	3	2.6	2	15	4	11	7	1.4
Wilmington, . . .	1,430	5.	5	2	2.	2	3	3.9	3	3	2.6	2	129	58	71	28	3.8
Winchester, . . .	6,150	6.5	5	94	52.2	58	38	30.1	29	16	10.	6	862	412	450	266	7.
Woburn, . . .	14,178	92.3	92														
Total, . . .	499,217	1,944.2	1,953	2,080	1,116.	1,119	763	607.8	616	322	220.4	218	12,766	5,798	6,968	4,355	136.3
NANTUCKET.																	
Nantucket, . . .	3,016	36.2	37	32	28.8	29	7	5.4	6	3	2.	2	155	89	66	76	-
NORFOLK.																	
Avon, . . .	1,626	14.2	16	1	1.	1	3	3.	3	21	10.2	12	30	9	21	11	.8
Bellingham, . . .	1,481	8.3	18	9	7.7	8	1	5.	3	1	.1	-	15	6	10	11	2.4
Braintree, . . .	6,311	17	13	13	10.9	10	4	3.9	3	13	-	-	108	53	55	13	2.9
Brookline, . . .	16,164	42	35	11	7.7	8	19	17.4	17	6	10.4	10	127	64	63	63	8.
Canton, . . .	4,636	33	25.3	26	17	13	10	9.8	9	6	4.9	4	66	19	37	43	2.9
Cohasset, . . .	2,474	13	12.8	13	6.	6	7	6.8	7	-	-	-	92	34	58	47	2.5
Dedham, . . .	7,211	31	22.4	20	16	10	15	9.8	10	-	-	-	143	64	79	77	6.4
Dover, . . .	668	2.5	2	6	-	-	2	2.	2	1	.5	-	32	1	1	-	.1
Foxborough, . . .	3,219	6.2	5	6	3.	2	4	3.2	3	-	-	-	133	55	78	46	.5
Franklin, . . .	5,136	11.	11	13	6.9	7	5	4.1	4	-	-	-	133	65	78	46	2.5
Holbrook, . . .	2,298	17	14.5	15	13	8	8	5.5	6	9	9.	9	77	35	42	20	1.1
Hyde Park, . . .	11,826	17	14.4	12	-	-	14	11.4	9	3	3.	3	191	77	114	45	5.7
Medfield, . . .	1,873	8	5.9	4	2.9	1	2	2.	2	1	1.	1	13	6	8	3	.8
Medway, . . .	2,913	43	30	31	16.5	17	12	10.4	12	1	1.	1	140	71	69	43	1.1
Milford, . . .	2,006	5	4.	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4.	5	28	10	18	7	2.5
Milton, . . .	5,518	25	21.9	22	10	9.5	10	7.4	7	5	5.	5	33	12	21	27	4.4
Needham, . . .	3,511	11	9.6	4	2.8	2	3	3.	3	2	3.8	2	63	24	39	24	2.9
Norfolk, . . .	882	2.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	18	9	9	11	.4
Norwood, . . .	4,574	8.	8	-	-	-	7	7.	7	2	1.	1	76	38	38	50	9
Quincy, . . .	20,712	57	41.4	29	19.6	21	26	21.2	18	2	.6	1	527	221	306	96	9.1
Randolph, . . .	3,694	36	26.3	19	11.2	11	13	11.7	11	4	3.4	3	124	48	76	60	4.7
Sharon, . . .	1,717	7	6.	5	3.7	4	2	2.	2	2	-	2	22	8	14	3	.3
Stoughton, . . .	5,272	31	27.	29	10	7.5	10	12.8	13	8	6.7	6	87	35	52	45	1.9
Walpole, . . .	2,994	10	9.8	5	4.8	5	4	4.	4	1	1.	1	31	11	20	17	3.3

† Chiefly in Boston.

† In Harvard.

* In Malden and Brockton.

TABLE I.—PART II.—NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED—Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.												PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.				Daily Average of Va- grancy.				
		AGGREGATES.				IN ALMSHOUSES.				IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.				ELSEWHERE.					WITHIN THE YEAR.			
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.		Whole No.	Males.	Females.	Approximate Aver- age No.					
Norfolk — Con.																						
Wellesley . . .	4,229	16	15.2	15	6	7	7.	7	3	2.2	2	2	39	20	19	11	4.					
Westwood . . .	*	5	4.2	4	—	4	4.2	4	—	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	—					
Weymouth . . .	11,291	77	43.5	42	55	14.	14.	14	4	2.2	2	2	296	128	168	117	3.5					
Wrentham . . .	2,584	19	16.3	18	13	4	4.	4	2	1.3	2	2	44	20	24	11	2.9					
Total . . .	134,819	592	451.	444	293	189.6	190	188.1	93	73.3	73	73	2,549	1,093	1,456	911	86.6					
Plymouth.																						
Abington . . .	4,207	17	14.2	15	—	8	8.	8	9	6.2	7	7	180	73	107	64	3.3					
Bridgewater . . .	4,686	18	15.5	14	14	27	19.2	23	7	3.8	1	1	101	38	63	28	1.3					
Brockton . . .	33,165	131	61.4	63	98	35	38.4	35	7	7.6	8	8	1,126	500	628	432	2.4					
Carver . . .	1,016	11	10.2	10	7.	2	2.	2	8	7.5	2	2	126	5	22	12	4.7					
Duxbury . . .	1,966	8	7.5	8	3.5	4	4.	4	—	—	—	—	64	32	32	4	.8					
East Bridgewater . . .	2,894	16	13.8	14	9	7.7	6.1	6	—	—	—	—	37	16	22	20	3.2					
Halifax . . .	497	3	2.2	3	9	9	1.	1	2	1.2	2	2	54	6	5	7	.3					
Hanover . . .	2,051	17	13.4	15	12	10	9.3	8	2	1.2	2	2	64	20	34	24	2.3					
Hanson . . .	1,380	12	10.1	12	7	6.	4.1	5	2	1.2	2	2	71	23	43	20	2.					
Hingham . . .	4,819	13	10.4	11	11	8.4	2.	2	—	—	—	—	157	63	94	73	2.					
Hull . . .	1,044	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	18	8	5	7	.1					
Kingston . . .	1,746	7	6.7	6	—	5	4.7	3	2	2.	1	1	23	11	12	20	1.1					
Lakeville . . .	870	5	4.3	4	—	4	3.3	3	2	1.	1	1	17	10	7	8	1.2					
Marion . . .	769	4	4	4	—	1	1.	1	3	2.6	2	2	16	8	6	9	1.2					
Mattapoisett . . .	1,760	14	11	11	10	6.2	2.4	2	3	2.6	3	3	16	10	6	7	.8					
Mattapoisett . . .	1,032	8	5.2	8	7	4.3	1.9	1	—	—	—	—	38	19	19	11	.5					

NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED.

	6,889	40	34.5	37	25	20	22	10	9.5	10	5	5	5	117	47	70	48	1.3
Middleborough,																		
Norwell,	1,040	9	8.1	7	5	4.1	4	3	3.	3	1	1	1.	84	40	44	4	1.3
Pembroke,	1,223	14	12.2	12	6	5.9	5	5	5.	5	3	3	1.3	22	9	13	4	.6
Plymouth,	7,957	42	31.5	28	18	11.4	11	22	18.7	16	2	2	1.4	253	123	130	61	-
Plympton,	549	1	.4	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1	.4	16	7	9	10	-
Rochester,	1,021	6	5.1	5	5	4.1	4	1	1.	1	1	1	-	39	19	20	5	.5
Rockland,	6,923	27	24.8	24	15	13.3	13	8	8.	8	4	4	3.5	125	48	77	35	2.7
Schuette,	2,246	5	4.7	4	-	-	6	2	2.	2	3	3	2.7	56	20	36	29	1.3
Wareham,	3,367	15	8.2	8	13	6.2	6	2	2.	2	2	2	-	133	67	66	40	.5
West Bridgewater,	1,747	13	10.3	10	10	8.1	8	1	1.	1	1	1	1.2	61	23	23	10	.7
Whitman,	5,744	26	22.8	23	2	2.	2	6	4.6	6	18	18	16.2	96	41	55	54	3.3
Total,	101,498	482	352.7	355	272	172.5	175	136	117.9	119	77	77	62.2	2,943	1,235	1,648	1,062	33.1
SUFFOLK.																		
Boston,	496,920	4,935	2,991.3	2,893	2,405	982.9	1,031	1,636	1,333.4	1,221	909	909	675.	10,194	3,925	6,269	2,550	68.9
Chelsea,	31,264	89	70.9	77	-	-	-	57	44.4	48	32	32	26.5	1,764	731	1,013	190	-
Revere,	7,423	17	15.2	15	-	-	-	12	10.2	10	5	5	5.	207	103	104	33	.8
Winthrop,	4,192	2	3.	2	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1	1.	18	6	12	11	-
Total,	539,799	5,043	3,079.4	2,987	2,405	992.9	1,031	1,705	1,389.	1,280	947	947	707.5	12,183	4,785	7,398	2,784	69.7
WORCESTER.																		
Ashburnham,	2,148	20	13.9	12	16	10.4	9	3	2.5	2	1	1	1.	88	43	45	20	-
Attol,	7,364	22	15.1	16	14	8.	9	7	6.1	6	1	1	1.	131	57	74	44	1.
Auburn,	1,598	1	1.	1	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1	-	31	16	15	3	.2
Barre,	2,278	7	6.1	5	6	5.1	4	3	2.2	2	3	3	1.	65	29	36	12	.3
Berlin,	897	6	5.2	5	-	-	-	3	2.2	2	3	3	3.	26	11	15	6	1.9
Blackstone,	6,039	57	38.	40	36	21.5.	22	13	10.	11	8	8	6.5	244	116	123	66	2.2
Bolton,	797	7	6.3	6	7	6.3	6	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	2	2	.3
Boylston,	729	6	5.4	4	4	3.9	3	1	-	-	1	1	1.	28	10	18	7	.7
Brookfield,	3,297	20	12.	13	14	7.5	7	5	3.5	4	2	2	1.	73	32	41	31	1.3
Charlton,	1,877	12	10.4	10	10	8.7	9	1	.7	-	1	1	1.	35	18	17	9	1.6
Clinton,	11,497	65	49.	49	28	14.8	13	22	21.2	21	15	15	13.	394	197	197	197	7.1
Dana,	717	8	4.4	7	8	4.4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	8	7	7	1.
Douglas,	2,026	10	9.3	8	9	8.3	7	-	-	-	1	1	1.	126	66	60	31	2.2
Dudley,	3,203	14	11.2	11	9	6.2	6	4	4.	4	1	1	1.	97	45	52	24	1.3

* Included in Dedham.

THE PAUPER ABSTRACT.

TABLE I.—PART II.—NUMBERS SUPPORTED AND RELIEVED—Concluded.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.										PERSONS PARTIALLY SUP- PORTED.					Daily Average of Va- grancy.	
		AGGREGATES.			IN ALMSHOUSES.			IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.			ELSEWHERE.		WITHIN THE YEAR.					
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Males.	Females.	Approximate Aver- age No.				
WORCESTER.—																		
Fitchburg, . . .	26,409	141	95.2	97	105	74.5	77	28	17.8	19	11	2.9	658	698	372	1.4	1.4	
Gardner, . . .	9,182	33	24.4	23	27	18.4	17	6	6.	6	-	-	230	230	70	1.5	1.5	
Grafton, . . .	5,101	33	25.5	26	23	15.5	17	7	6.4	6	4	3.6	39	38	20	3.6	3.6	
Hardwick, . . .	2,655	14	11.9	11	8	6.	6	6	5.9	6	-	-	35	31	12	1.1	1.1	
Harvard, . . .	1,162	4	4.	4	2	2.	2	2	2.	2	-	-	27	14	13	1.1	1.1	
Hopedale, . . .	2,602	8	6.4	7	7	6.2	6	3	2.6	2	1	7.	39	14	25	1.6	1.6	
Hubbardston, . . .	1,377	6	5.3	4	2	2.	2	2	2.	2	-	-	9	3	6	1.6	1.6	
Leicester, . . .	1,274	7	6.1	5	6	3.1	4	1	1.	1	-	-	19	9	10	1.3	1.3	
Lancaster, . . .	2,180	31	23.5	24	23	15.8	16	2	2.	2	7	5.7	86	40	23	1.7	1.7	
Leominster, . . .	3,239	19	15.8	16	15	12.4	12	4	3.4	4	1	-	30	9	21	2.9	2.9	
Lenox, . . .	9,211	32	27.6	29	14	12.1	13	17	14.5	15	1	1.	194	86	108	1.9	1.9	
Lanesburg, . . .	1,237	10	8.7	8	8	6.7	6	1	1.	1	1	1.	17	7	10	1.1	1.1	
Mendon, . . .	889	2	2.	2	2	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	23	10	19	1.4	1.4	
Millford, . . .	8,959	91	62.	60	70	42.7	40	21	19.3	20	-	-	394	169	225	4.1	4.1	
Milbury, . . .	5,232	26	19.7	19	14	7.9	7	12	11.8	12	2	2.	505	235	270	5.1	5.1	
New Braintree, . . .	542	2	2.	2	3	2.2	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	4	2	2.	2.	
Northborough, . . .	1,940	7	6.2	7	3	2.9	3	4	-	-	-	-	54	24	30	1.5	1.5	
Northbridge, . . .	5,286	21	14.2	15	12	5.4	7	8	7.8	7	1	1.	153	68	85	9	9	
North Brookfield, . . .	4,635	18	13.7	14	12	7.7	8	6	6.	6	-	-	99	43	56	40	40	
Oakham, . . .	605	2	2.	2	2	2.	2	2	-	-	-	-	11	3	8	9	9	
Oxford, . . .	2,390	17	16.5	16	10	9.5	9	5	5.	5	2	2.	86	40	46	27	27	
Paxton, . . .	428	1	1.	1	1	1.	1	1	1.	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	2	
Petersham, . . .	932	10	4.7	3	9	3.7	2	1	1.	1	-	-	23	13	10	14	14	
Phillipston, . . .	460	4	3.	3	3	2.	2	1	1.	1	-	-	19	8	11	5	5	

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SUMMARY BY COUNTIES.

COUNTIES.	Population in 1895.	PERSONS FULLY SUPPORTED DURING THE YEAR.										PERSONS PARTIALLY SUPPORTED.					Daily Average of Vagrancy.	
		AGGREGATES.			IN ALMSHOUSES.			IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.			ELSEWHERE.*			WITHIN THE YEAR.				
		Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Whole No.	Average No.	No. March 31, 1898.	Within the Year.		Approximate No.†		
														Males.	Females.			
Barnstable,	27,654	180	151.8	152	94	75.	78	59	48.7	47	31	28.1	27	779	363	416	385	
Berkshire,	86,292	500	373.7	383	170	96.5	99	122	101.4	105	213	175.8	179	2,094	954	1,140	635	
Bristol,	219,019	1,639	775.4	813	1,182	409.8	442	385	810.8	317	86	54.8	54	13,019	5,721	7,298	2,495	
Dukes,	4,238	18	16.9	17	-	-	-	6	6.4	5	12	11.5	12	39	18	21	6	
Essex,	330,393	2,223	1,584.3	1,642	1,320	530.4	535	638	540.	522	290	193.9	185	8,969	3,811	5,148	3,251	
Franklin,	40,145	293	163.8	161	66	46.7	47	78	66.7	65	59	50.4	49	8,909	3,719	4,590	236	
Hampden,	152,938	1,034	606.5	651	703	352.9	387	215	157.5	166	121	95.1	88	5,743	2,667	3,076	1,361	
Hampshire,	54,710	288	227.1	219	115	80.6	75	103	87.6	88	74	58.9	56	1,465	690	775	419	
Middlesex,	495,217	3,093	1,944.2	1,963	2,080	1,116.	1,119	753	607.8	616	322	220.4	218	12,768	5,798	6,968	4,355	
Nantucket,	3,016	42	36.2	37	32	28.8	29	7	6.4	6	3	2.	2	155	89	66	76	
Norfolk,	184,819	592	451.	444	283	189.6	190	218	188.1	181	93	73.3	73	2,549	1,093	1,456	911	
Plymouth,	101,498	482	352.7	355	272	172.6	175	136	117.9	119	77	62.2	61	2,943	1,295	1,648	1,052	
Suffolk,	539,799	5,043	3,079.4	2,987	2,405	982.9	1,031	1,706	1,389.	1,280	947	707.6	676	12,183	4,786	7,398	2,784	
Worcester,	306,445	1,478	1,076.8	1,085	1,029	706.	714	346	277.6	277	132	93.2	94	9,569	4,737	4,832	2,332	
Total,	2,600,183	16,925	10,839.6	10,799	9,751	5,107.6	5,231	4,771	3,908.9	3,794	2,459	1,828.1	1,774	73,072	32,400	40,672	20,358	

* Distributed as follows:— Whole Number in School for Feeble-Minded, 223; in other institutions, 1,151; in private families, 1,301.

Average Number in School for Feeble-Minded, 202.8; in other institutions, 622.2; in private families, 1,008.1.

Number March 31, 1898, in School for Feeble-Minded, 217; in other institutions, 519; in private families, 1,038.

† Really the mean between the numbers reported at midwinter and at midsummer.

NOTE.—Of the 16,925 persons who received full support within the year, 906 died, 960 of them in the almshouses. Of the 73,072 persons (excluding vagrants) who received partial support, 23,400 are reported as children under 16 years of age; 41,974 had settlements in the towns where relief was given, 10,878 were settled in other places in the State, and 20,214 had no known settlement. Vagrants (acts of vagrancy) reported number 233,646, women numbering 138. Vagrants kept at almshouses (54,418 in number) cost \$7,277 by estimate, while the 178,228 kept elsewhere, chiefly at police stations, cost the community \$29,500.

PAUPERISM IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

TABLE II.—PAUPERISM OF THE CITIES AND TOWNS. NUMBERS AND COST, 1878-1898.

YEARS.	COST AND AVERAGE OF FULL SUPPORT.					PARTIAL SUP- PORT.		Other Expenses, in- cluding Adminis- tration.	AGGREGATES.		Reimbursements by State and Towns.	Net Cost of Pauper Support and Re- lief.	VAGRANCY.	
	Expense at Almshouse.	Expense at Lunatic Hos- pital.	Expense where. Hosp.	Total Expense.	Average No. Supported.	Expenses.	Approximate Average No. Relieved.		Expenses.	Average No.			No. of Cases.	Expenses.
1878-9.	\$418,453	\$286,740	\$90,612	\$795,805	6,106	\$668,954	22,708	\$86,261	\$1,553,020	28,814	\$168,043	\$1,384,977	162,012	\$40,151
1879-80.	407,876	296,497	90,604	794,977	6,222	688,199	18,387	85,821	1,508,997	24,609	176,065	1,332,902	154,164	21,098
1880-1.	410,668	339,798	91,848	842,314	6,344	810,247	16,528	79,120	1,531,681	21,873	138,018	1,393,663	68,500	21,996
1881-2.	446,706	369,296	91,752	907,754	6,689	808,436	14,504	87,071	1,608,261	20,893	138,908	1,464,353	47,867	19,416
1882-3.	497,700	401,471	97,472	996,703	6,946	800,435	15,595	85,818	1,692,956	22,541	143,575	1,549,381	69,315	21,775
1883-4.	503,525	409,447	101,498	1,014,470	7,109	829,337	15,751	106,906	1,760,762	22,860	151,951	1,608,811	91,761	27,398
1884-5.	521,421	412,554	153,838	1,087,813	7,521	863,866	17,468	116,700	1,868,479	25,008	160,435	1,708,044	132,015	27,739
1885-6.	509,332	415,540	164,506	1,089,428	7,755	875,742	17,443	129,000	1,894,179	25,408	162,825	1,731,344	138,452	28,299
1886-7.	504,189	436,856	171,775	1,112,820	7,866	839,994	16,501	129,899	1,892,653	24,357	153,453	1,739,195	131,945	30,742
1887-8.	571,718	436,171	167,472	1,175,361	7,969	847,627	15,883	137,708	1,906,103	24,873	160,008	1,746,095	136,680	32,274
1888-9.	607,127	468,121	179,556	1,254,804	8,419	870,379	15,337	158,158	1,935,417	25,060	179,776	1,805,641	156,984	36,541
1889-90.	513,650	469,213	196,072	1,178,935	8,490	835,172	15,381	173,620	1,934,727	25,118	177,665	1,807,062	142,794	35,201
1890-1.	535,901	477,828	195,809	1,209,538	8,585	868,756	15,633	183,023	2,003,927	25,317	189,330	1,874,497	145,339	32,875
1891-2.	546,023	498,026	198,089	1,242,138	8,804	855,406	15,613	183,268	2,081,002	25,311	172,361	1,908,641	138,296	30,480
1892-3.	548,692	512,302	235,548	1,306,542	9,217	700,453	19,914	151,296	2,158,148	29,131	176,076	1,982,072	226,479	36,680
1893-4.	584,441	532,908	245,176	1,362,525	9,501	851,952	22,440	160,833	2,277,608	32,281	211,803	2,065,805	258,742	41,807
1894-5.	470,945	593,908	266,715	1,331,568	9,840	784,307	18,371	177,210	2,421,760	33,895	227,730	2,201,030	327,465	37,705
1895-6.	598,016	613,209	260,148	1,471,373	10,098	833,466	18,797	174,686	2,477,420	35,895	261,269	2,216,151	348,894	39,496
1896-7.	620,433	663,865	239,468	1,523,826	10,840	927,542	20,358	176,919	2,626,251	31,168	228,051	2,408,206	332,046	36,777
1897-8.	10,365,901	9,051,923	\$3,415,532	\$22,853,356	-	\$13,795,775	-	\$2,737,334	\$39,386,456	-	\$5,468,081	\$35,918,374	3,065,509	\$24,794
Aggregates.	519,295	452,596	170,777	1,142,668	8,159	689,794	17,003	186,836	1,969,323	25,762	174,404	1,909,298	163,425	31,239
Yearly Average.														

NOTE.—The average number receiving partial support represents the mean between the largest and the smallest number aided at different periods. It is not a daily average. Previous to 1893-4 the amounts reported under the head of administrative expenses doubtless contained considerable sums expended for permanent improvement at the almshouses; the figures given for 1893-8 are intended to show merely the current expenses.

CENSUS OF PAUPERISM.

COUNTRIES.	JAN. 1, 1897.					JULY 1, 1897.					JAN. 1, 1898.					JULY 1, 1898.				
	Full Supp.	Partial Supp.	Vagrants.	Total.	Inane.	Full Supp.	Partial Supp.	Vagrants.	Total.	Inane.	Full Supp.	Partial Supp.	Vagrants.	Total.	Inane.	Full Supp.	Partial Supp.	Vagrants.	Total.	Inane.
Barnstable,	155	377	1	533	79	156	383	-	539	81	167	393	-	560	80	167	387	4	558	77
Berkshire,	389	720	39	1,148	138	344	683	3	880	142	379	728	18	1,125	148	394	681	1	1,026	155
Bristol,	763	2,684	65	3,512	377	756	2,078	25	2,859	378	755	2,016	70	3,771	401	775	2,629	9	3,418	399
Dukes,	25	8	-	33	6	18	5	-	23	6	20	6	-	26	6	18	16	-	34	7
Essex,	1,431	4,431	130	5,992	739	1,407	3,200	22	4,629	758	1,499	5,313	107	6,919	797	1,529	3,378	8	5,415	805
Franklin,	175	275	6	456	87	170	268	3	346	90	173	328	3	504	94	174	243	7	424	93
Hampden,	604	1,684	77	2,365	260	621	1,084	10	1,695	276	627	1,495	50	2,372	280	628	1,128	11	1,767	313
Hampshire,	225	429	13	672	119	232	326	7	565	128	210	511	10	731	131	237	438	-	665	121
Middlesex,	1,809	5,246	285	7,340	841	1,673	3,083	39	4,805	883	1,904	5,842	106	7,941	894	1,843	3,256	34	5,133	891
Nantucket,	31	95	-	126	9	34	26	-	60	9	39	127	-	166	11	37	27	-	64	11
Norfolk,	480	983	131	1,594	210	412	772	28	1,212	211	437	1,077	163	1,677	230	444	931	10	1,375	227
Plymouth,	383	1,010	63	1,441	163	318	860	3	1,181	167	326	1,263	81	1,704	172	361	982	1	1,347	166
Suffolk,	8,020	3,297	120	6,407	1,423	2,749	2,289	87	5,105	1,458	3,098	3,300	69	6,467	1,500	2,877	2,708	75	5,660	1,715
Worcester,	1,037	2,153	165	3,755	462	980	2,083	29	3,102	476	1,087	2,662	138	3,931	482	1,107	1,865	20	2,992	502
Total,	10,457	23,892	1,105	35,354	4,916	9,870	16,960	256	27,086	5,003	10,785	26,161	943	37,984	5,223	10,584	19,109	180	29,373	5,483
Viz., Cities,	8,883	16,162	445	23,495	3,263	6,445	10,470	148	17,063	3,368	7,183	18,349	296	25,898	3,594	6,907	12,512	90	19,509	3,449
Towns,	3,566	7,640	660	11,869	1,648	3,425	6,490	108	10,023	1,646	3,602	7,812	682	12,066	1,702	3,677	6,597	90	10,364	1,733
Add State Paupers,	3,606	*	-	3,606	1,531	3,397	*	-	3,397	1,634	3,789	*	-	3,789	1,632	3,638	*	-	3,638	1,702
A paragon of State and Town Paupers,	14,063	23,892	1,105	38,970	6,467	13,267	16,960	256	30,483	6,637	14,524	26,161	943	41,633	6,860	14,222	19,109	180	33,511	7,184

* Included in the numbers reported by cities and towns, through which the aid is rendered.

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TABLE III.—Showing by Counties the Number of Persons reported by the Overseers of the Poor as Supported or Relieved at Different Dates.

CHILDREN, IDIOTS AND INSANE PERSONS.

CHILDREN, IDIOTS AND INSANE.

TABLE IV.—*Statistics of Children under 16, and Idiotic and Insane Persons among the Paupers Fully Supported within the Year ending March 31, 1898.*

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alm- houses.	Elsewhere						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alm- houses.	Elsewhere.
BARNSTABLE.											
Barnstable,	1	1	-	2	2.	2	12	10.7	6	5	-
Bourne,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	-	-	-
Brewster,	-	-	-	4	3.5	3	4	3.	2	-	-
Chatham,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	7	5.2	-	2	-
Dennis,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	2.3	-	-	-
Eastham,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1.	-	-	1
Falmouth,	1	-	1	2	2.	2	6	6.	5	1	-
Harwich,	1	1	-	4	4.	4	3	6.7	-	1	-
Mashpee,	2	-	2	1	.8	1	3	2.5	3	-	-
Orleans,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	-	-	1
Provincetown,	2	1	1	1	1.	1	11	8.8	-	1	1
Sandwich,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	14	11.9	-	8	-
Truro,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.2	-	-	-
Wellfleet,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	-	-	2
Yarmouth,	1	-	-	5	4.3	4	6	5.9	3	2	-
Total,	9	3	5	25	23.6	23	85	73.2	47	20	5
BERKSHIRE.											
Adams,	3	2	-	1	1.	1	13	10.1	11	-	-
Alford,	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Becket,	3	-	3	3	3.	3	3	2.4	2	-	-
Cheshire,	2	-	2	1	.5	1	4	3.1	-	-	3
Clarksburg,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Dalton,	13	-	13	4	4.	4	6	5.1	5	-	-
Egremont,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.6	-	-	1
Florida,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.5	1	-	-
Great Barrington,	1	-	1	3	3.	3	15	15.	11	-	3
Hancock,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Hinsdale,	3	-	3	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Lanesborough,	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lee,	3	1	2	6	6.	6	7	7.	5	2	-
Lenox,	4	-	3	-	-	-	4	3.7	2	-	1
Monterey,	-	-	-	2	2.	1	1	1.	1	-	-
Mount Washington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Ashford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	-	-	-
New Marlborough,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Adams,	11	-	2	1	1.	1	26	20.5	18	3	2
Otis,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peru,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Pittsfield,	13	3	-	9	7.1	8	34	24.9	8	15	-
Richmond,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Sandisfield,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	3	-	-

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TABLE IV. — Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.
BERKSHIRE — Con.											
Savoy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Sheffield,	1	-	1	1	1.	1	7	6.1	7	-	-
Stockbridge,	1	-	1	-	-	-	6	6.8	6	-	-
Tyringham,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Washington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.5	3	-	-
West Stockbridge,	1	-	1	1	1.	1	4	3.2	2	-	-
Williamstown,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	6.6	8	-	-
Windsor,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Total,	65	6	37	37	34.6	35	160	135.1	105	20	10
BRISTOL.											
Acushnet,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	3	-	-
Attleborough,	-	-	-	3	2.3	2	10	8.1	8	-	-
Berkley,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Dartmouth,	1	-	1	-	-	-	10	6.9	5	-	-
Dighton,	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Easton,	1	1	-	1	1.	1	17	14.4	10	-	-
Fairhaven,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.5	4	-	-
Fall River,	175	19	22	12	8.5	8	183	134.9	143	3	4
Freetown,	2	-	-	4	3.6	3	2	1.6	2	-	-
Mansfield,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	4	3.4	4	-	-
New Bedford,	21	5	-	10	6.6	10	85	74.4	56	14	-
No. Attleborough,	1	1	-	5	4.5	5	14	9.3	11	-	-
Norton,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	7	5.7	3	-	-
Raynham,	1	-	1	1	1.	1	2	2.	1	-	1
Rehoboth,	-	-	-	2	1.5	2	4	3.9	3	-	-
Seekonk,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	-	-	-
Somerset,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	7	6.9	3	-	-
Swansea,	3	-	-	3	2.1	3	3	3.	2	-	-
Taunton,	30	4	6	8	3.	3	67	62.3	56	3	-
Westport,	5	-	-	2	2.	2	6	6.	2	4	-
Total,	242	30	32	50	43.1	44	435	356.3	317	38	5
DUKES.											
Chilmark,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cottage City,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.4	2	-	1
Edgartown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.9	2	-	1
Gay Head,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gosnold,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tisbury,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-
West Tisbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Total,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	7.3	5	-	2
ESSEX.											
Amesbury,	2	-	1	3	2.6	3	25	21.1	15	3	-
Andover,	1	1	-	2	1.1	1	16	16.	9	7	-
Beverly,	3	1	-	15	14.7	15	17	16.5	10	6	-
Boxford,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	2.	2	-	-
Danvers,	4	-	4	2	2.	2	23	21.	20	-	-
Essex,	-	-	-	5	4.6	4	5	4.3	2	3	-
Georgetown,	3	2	-	1	1.	1	5	4.3	2	2	-
Gloucester,	4	1	1	5	5.	5	48	43.2	33	3	-
Groveland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.2	3	-	-

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TABLE IV.—Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alma- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alma- houses.	Elsewhere.
Essex—Con.											
Hamilton,	2	-	2	-	-	-	77	51.2	-	-	-
Haverhill,	32	3	10	13	9.2	8	9	8.	34	16	1
Ipswich,	1	-	1	2	2.	22	9	8.	7	-	-
Lawrence,	87	18	16	6	3.5	5	173	151.6	92	59	1
Lynn,	63	4	22	7	7.	7	154	135.1	114	11	-
Lynnfield,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	1.5	-	-	-
Manchester,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	4	-	-
Marblehead,	4	1	3	4	4.	4	12	12.	10	2	-
Merrimac,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3.8	8	-	-
Methuen,	2	2	1	-	-	-	16	15.	14	1	-
Middleton,	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nahant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	-	-	-
Newbury,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	3.	1	-	2
Newburyport,	5	1	-	5	5.	5	54	48.5	40	7	1
North Andover,	3	-	-	6	5.2	6	10	7.4	10	-	-
Peabody,	9	3	4	5	5.	5	31	28.4	28	-	-
Rockport,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	14	11.3	8	-	-
Rowley,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	3.	2	-	1
Salem,	70	4	52	1	1.	1	99	89.1	36	48	-
Salisbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.1	2	-	-
Saugus,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	11	11.	9	2	-
Swampscott,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	7.4	2	-	-
Topsfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2.7	1	-	-
Wenham,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5.	1	-	-
West Newbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total,	298	41	117	89	79.9	81	841	732.7	522	179	6
FRANKLIN.											
Ashfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Barnardston,	1	-	1	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Buckland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	6.3	-	4	-
Charlemont,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.6	-	-	-
Colrain,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.	3	-	-
Conway,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	5	5.	5	-	-
Deerfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.7	-	2	-
Erving,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	1	-	1
Gill,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2.2	-	-	-
Greenfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	9.2	5	2	1
Hawley,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heath,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Leverett,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	2	-	-
Leyden,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Monroe,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Montague,	6	-	6	3	2.6	2	10	9.2	7	-	2
New Salem,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4.6	4	-	-
Northfield,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	3.	3	-	-
Orange,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4.4	-	3	-
Rowe,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.4	2	-	-
Shelburne,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	1	-	1
Shutesbury,	-	-	-	3	3.	3	4	4.	4	-	-
Sunderland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.	2	-	-
Warwick,	4	-	-	2	1.6	1	5	5.	3	2	-
Wendell,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.	4	-	-
Whately,	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Total,	14	-	10	14	13.2	12	98	84.6	65	13	5

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TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.						
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.				
		In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.		
HAMPDEN.													
Agawam,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.7	5	1	-	-	
Blandford,	1	-	1	1	.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Brimfield,	2	1	-	-	-	-	4	3.6	-	-	3	-	
Chester,	6	-	4	-	-	-	3	2.2	3	-	-	-	
Chicopee,	17	5	7	1	1.	1	42	35.4	30	3	1	-	
East Longmeadow,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.1	2	-	-	-	
Granville,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3.8	3	-	-	-	
Hampden,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4.5	5	-	-	-	
Holland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	-	
Holyoke,	25	2	20	1	1.	1	95	72.9	54	23	-	-	
Longmeadow,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ludlow,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	1	-	-	-	
Monson,	2	1	1	3	3.	3	12	9.9	5	5	-	-	
Montgomery,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.2	1	-	-	-	
Palmer,	4	1	-	2	2.	2	14	14.	9	5	-	-	
Russell,	1	-	1	1	.8	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	
Southwick,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.3	5	-	-	-	
Springfield,	48	10	-	4	3.2	3	119	84.9	13	73	-	-	
Tolland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.4	1	-	-	-	
Wales,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	4.	1	-	-	-	
Westfield,	1	-	-	3	3.	3	24	21.5	18	2	-	-	
West Springfield,	6	-	6	1	1.	1	7	6.5	6	-	-	-	
Wilbraham,	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	
Total,	114	20	40	18	16.9	15	358	283.9	166	115	8	-	
HAMPSHIRE.													
Amherst,	1	-	-	3	2.6	2	7	6.2	7	-	-	-	
Belchertown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	3	1	-	-	
Chesterfield,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	2	-	-	-	
Cummington,	4	-	-	2	2.	2	3	2.5	1	-	-	-	
Easthampton,	2	-	2	1	.7	1	14	12.7	4	7	1	-	
Enfield,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	4.	4	-	-	-	
Goshen,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Granby,	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	-	
Greenwich,	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	1.	-	1	-	-	
Hadley,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	2.4	2	-	-	-	
Hatfield,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	4.	4	-	-	-	
Huntington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-	-	
Middlefield,	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	
Northampton,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	34	27.1	14	12	-	-	
Pelham,	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	-	
Plainfield,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	4	-	-	-	
Prescott,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	
Southampton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	.4	-	-	-	-	
South Hadley,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	12	10.4	9	1	-	-	
Ware,	3	-	-	3	3.	3	20	18.1	18	1	-	-	
Westhampton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	2	-	-	-	
Williamsburg,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.1	3	-	-	-	
Worthington,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	3.	2	-	-	-	
Total,	18	-	7	17	16.3	16	183	116.9	88	23	4	-	
MIDDLESEX.													
Acton,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	2	1	-	-	
Arlington,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	9	8.9	5	1	2	-	
Ashby,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	2.4	2	1	-	-	
Ashland,	-	-	-	2	1.8	2	3	2.5	2	1	-	-	
Ayer,	1	1	-	3	2.7	3	4	4.	3	1	-	-	

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	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alma- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alma- houses.	Elsewhere.
MIDDLESEX — Con.											
Bedford,	-	-	-	3	2.4	3	2	2.	1	1	-
Belmont,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Billerica,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	1	2	-
Boxborough,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Burlington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cambridge,	55	9	28	18	16.8	18	198	164.	148	20	3
Carlisle,	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-	-	-	-
Chelmsford,	4	-	2	1	1.	1	6	5.2	3	2	-
Concord,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4.9	5	-	-
Dracut,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.6	5	1	-
Dunstable,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Everett,	2	-	-	1	1.	1	20	15.7	16	-	-
Frammingham,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	18	15.2	16	-	-
Groton,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	7	6.2	2	5	-
Holliston,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	12	10.8	5	5	-
Hopkinton,	3	-	-	4	2.6	2	11	11.	10	1	-
Hudson,	4	2	-	-	-	-	10	7.	6	1	-
Lexington,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	3.3	3	-	-
Lincoln,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4.3	4	-	-
Littleton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	-	1	-
Lowell,	109	34	10	7	5.	6	211	189.7	68	103	-
Malden,	19	4	2	4	4.	4	50	37.1	58	-	-
Marlborough,	7	2	-	5	5.	5	31	23.9	18	6	-
Maynard,	1	1	-	3	2.7	3	10	7.6	9	1	-
Medford,	3	-	2	-	-	-	18	16.8	15	1	-
Melrose,	2	-	-	1	1.	1	20	16.1	17	-	1
Natick,	7	1	3	1	1.	1	26	21.	17	2	2
Newton,	3	-	-	4	4.	4	31	25.6	21	2	1
North Reading,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	3	2.5	1	1	-
Pepperell,	5	-	4	1	1.	1	6	5.3	4	1	-
Reading,	2	-	2	2	1.7	2	6	6.	5	-	1
Sherborn,	-	-	-	3	2.	3	-	-	-	-	-
Shirley,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	2	-	1
Somerville,	1	-	1	6	4.3	5	69	51.2	59	-	3
Stoneham,	10	-	4	5	5.	5	13	11.8	11	1	-
Stow,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	2	1	-
Sudbury,	-	-	-	5	3.2	3	3	3.	2	1	-
Tewksbury,	1	1	-	1	1.	1	5	4.3	1	3	-
Townsend,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	6	3.5	1	2	-
Tyngsborough,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Wakefield,	3	1	1	2	2.	2	17	16.4	15	-	1
Waltham,	20	-	12	3	1.5	1	49	42.4	15	22	-
Watertown,	1	-	-	1	.3	-	16	13.8	9	5	-
Wayland,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	3	1	-
Westford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7.	7	-	-
Weston,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.6	1	1	-
Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Winchester,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.9	3	-	-
Woburn,	13	5	3	3	3.	3	41	32.7	29	2	-
Total,	276	61	60	105	92.	96	991	838.3	616	199	15
NANTUCKET.											
Nantucket,	5	3	2	4	4.	4	12	10.4	6	5	-
NORFOLK.											
Avon,	10	-	6	-	-	-	3	3.	3	-	-
Bellingham,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	3.5	-	3	-
Braintree,	-	-	-	3	2.5	2	5	4.9	3	1	-

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TABLE IV. — Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.
NORFOLK — Con.											
Brookline, . . .	3	-	4	3	3.	3	19	18.	17	-	1
Canton, . . .	3	-	2	4	2.9	2	11	10.8	9	1	-
Cohasset, . . .	1	1	-	2	2.	2	8	7.8	7	1	-
Dedham, . . .	-	-	-	1	.1	-	15	9.8	10	-	-
Dover, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Foxborough, . .	-	-	-	1	.5	1	4	3.2	3	-	-
Franklin, . . .	-	-	-	-	1.	1	6	5.1	4	1	-
Holbrook, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	5.5	6	-	-
Hyde Park, . . .	1	1	1	3	3.	3	14	11.4	-	9	-
Medfield, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	2	-	-
Medway, . . .	12	-	1	-	-	-	12	10.7	12	-	-
Millis, . . .	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	-	-	1
Milton, . . .	2	-	2	3	3.	3	11	8.4	7	1	-
Needham, . . .	1	-	1	2	2.	2	3	3.	3	-	-
Norfolk, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norwood, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7.	7	-	-
Quincy, . . .	3	1	1	2	1.5	2	27	22.2	18	1	-
Randolph, . . .	5	1	3	1	.1	-	15	13.7	11	2	-
Sharon, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Stoughton, . . .	5	-	4	2	2.	2	14	13.8	13	1	-
Walpole, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5.	4	-	1
Wellesley, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	9	9.	7	2	-
Westwood, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4.2	4	-	-
Weymouth, . . .	14	-	-	6	6.	6	25	19.8	14	4	1
Wrentham, . . .	2	1	1	2	2.	2	7	7.	4	3	-
Total, . . .	66	4	27	41	36.6	36	244	213.8	181	21	4
PLYMOUTH.											
Abington, . . .	1	-	1	1	1.	1	8	8.	8	-	-
Bridgewater, . .	2	2	-	1	1.	1	6	4.5	1	3	-
Brockton, . . .	26	-	3	8	5.5	4	48	33.	23	13	-
Carver, . . .	-	-	-	1	.5	1	2	2.	2	-	-
Duxbury, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5.	4	1	-
East Bridgewater,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	7.1	5	1	-
Halifax, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Hanover, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.6	3	3	-
Hanson, . . .	1	1	-	1	1.	1	5	4.1	5	-	-
Hingham, . . .	1	1	-	2	2.	2	5	5.	2	3	-
Hull, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston, . . .	1	-	1	1	1.	1	5	4.7	4	-	-
Lakeville, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3.3	3	-	-
Marion, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	1	-	2
Marshfield, . . .	-	-	-	3	3.	2	3	2.9	2	-	-
Mattapoisett, . .	4	4	-	2	2.	2	1	.9	1	-	-
Middleborough, .	-	-	-	9	7.5	8	14	13.5	10	3	1
Norwell, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5.	3	2	-
Pembroke, . . .	2	-	2	2	2.	2	6	6.	5	1	-
Plymouth, . . .	4	2	2	3	2.4	2	22	18.7	16	-	-
Plympton, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rochester, . . .	2	2	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	1	2	-
Rockland, . . .	-	-	-	3	3.	3	8	8.	8	-	-
Scituate, . . .	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Wareham, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	2	1	-
West Bridgewater,	-	-	-	1	1.	1	4	4.	1	3	-
Whitman, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	6.6	6	-	2
Total, . . .	46	12	11	43	37.9	37	185	159.9	119	36	5

CHILDREN, IDIOTS AND INSANE PERSONS.

TABLE IV.—Continued.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.
SUFFOLK.											
Boston, . . .	781	18	461	118	100.8	104	1,714	1394.7	1,221	19	35
Chelsea, . . .	1	-	1	4	3.8	4	61	48.4	48	-	4
Revere, . . .	4	-	4	1	1.	1	12	10.2	10	-	-
Winthrop, . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Total, . . .	786	18	466	123	105.6	109	1,788	1454.3	1,280	19	39
WORCESTER.											
Ashburnham, .	6	-	-	-	-	-	7	6.5	2	4	-
Athol, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	8.1	6	1	1
Auburn, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-
Barre, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	2	2.	-	1	1
Berlin, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5.2	2	-	3
Blackstone, . .	1	1	-	1	.1	1	16	12.1	11	2	-
Bolton, . . .	-	-	-	4	4.	4	1	1.	-	1	-
Boylston, . . .	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	.5	-	-	-
Brookfield, . .	2	-	-	2	1.9	2	9	6.1	4	2	-
Charlton, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.7	-	1	-
Clinton, . . .	14	-	11	-	-	-	25	24.2	21	2	1
Dana, . . .	8	3	-	-	-	-	1	1.	-	1	-
Douglas, . . .	-	-	-	4	3.8	4	-	-	-	-	-
Dudley, . . .	2	-	1	1	1.	1	5	5.	4	1	-
Fitchburg, . . .	7	2	-	3	2.2	2	50	39.2	19	25	-
Gardner, . . .	4	1	-	1	1.	1	11	10.6	6	4	-
Grafton, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	8	7.4	6	-	1
Hardwick, . . .	-	-	-	3	3.	3	9	8.	6	2	-
Harvard, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	2	2.	2	-	-
Holden, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	1	2	-
Hopedale, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.6	2	-	-
Hubbardston, .	-	-	-	2	1.9	2	2	2.	1	1	-
Lancaster, . . .	8	6	-	3	3.	3	4	4.	2	2	-
Leicester, . . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	8	7.4	4	4	-
Leominster, . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	23	20.5	15	5	1
Lunenburg, . .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	5	5.	1	4	-
Mendon, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-
Millford, . . .	8	3	-	1	.8	-	23	20.4	20	2	-
Millbury, . . .	1	-	-	-	-	-	13	12.8	12	1	-
New Braintree, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northborough, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4.	4	-	-
Northbridge, . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	8.8	7	1	-
North Brookfield, .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	7.2	6	1	-
Oakham, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.	-	1	-
Oxford, . . .	-	-	-	3	3.	3	6	6.	5	-	1
Paxton, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Petersham, . . .	5	-	-	-	-	-	3	3.	1	2	-
Phillipston, . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	1	1	-
Princeton, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	1	1.	1	-	-
Royalston, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rutland, . . .	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shrewsbury, . .	1	1	-	2	2.	2	1	.5	-	-	-
Southborough, .	-	-	-	2	2.	2	3	3.	3	-	-
Southbridge, . .	1	-	-	1	1.	1	17	16.3	12	2	-
Spencer, . . .	6	-	-	1	.9	1	8	6.9	4	4	-
Sterling, . . .	-	-	-	2	1.7	1	3	3.	1	2	-
Sturbridge, . . .	6	-	6	-	-	-	5	5.4	2	1	-
Sutton, . . .	-	-	-	7	7.	7	8	8.	1	6	1
Templeton, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	6	5.4	4	2	-
Upton, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	2	-	-

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TABLE IV. — Concluded.

TOWNS BY COUNTIES.	CHILDREN UN- DER 16.			IDIOTIC.			INSANE.				
	No. in the Year.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar 31, 1898.	No. in the Year.	Average No.	Remaining Mar. 31, 1898.		
		In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.						In Lunatic Hospitals.	In Alms- houses.	Elsewhere.
WORCESTER — Con.											
Uxbridge, . . .	2	-	-	1	1.	1	6	5.6	5	-	-
Warren, . . .	2	1	-	3	3.	3	2	1.2	1	-	-
Webster, . . .	2	-	-	-	-	-	16	12.4	9	3	-
Westborough, . . .	-	-	-	4	4.	4	9	7.2	7	-	-
West Boylston, . . .	4	-	-	1	.2	1	6	5.3	4	1	-
West Brookfield, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2.4	2	-	-
Westminster, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.	-	2	-
Winchendon, . . .	4	-	-	3	3.	3	7	4.4	2	1	-
Worcester, . . .	27	5	5	23	23.7	23	158	126.4	43	88	1
Total, . . .	117	23	23	96	92.7	93	546	469.7	277	186	11

SUMMARY BY COUNTIES.

Barnstable, . . .	9	3	5	25	23.6	23	85	73.2	47	20	5
Berkshire, . . .	65	6	37	37	34.6	35	160	135.1	105	20	10
Bristol, . . .	242	30	32	50	43.1	44	435	356.3	317	33	5
Dukes, . . .	-	-	-	1	1.	1	8	7.3	5	-	2
Essex, . . .	298	41	117	89	79.9	81	841	732.7	522	179	6
Franklin, . . .	14	-	10	14	13.2	12	98	84.6	65	13	6
Hampden, . . .	114	20	40	18	16.9	15	358	283.9	166	115	8
Hampshire, . . .	18	-	7	17	16.3	16	183	116.9	88	23	4
Middlesex, . . .	276	61	69	105	92.	96	991	838.3	616	199	15
Nantucket, . . .	5	3	2	4	4.	4	12	10.4	6	5	-
Norfolk, . . .	66	4	27	41	36.6	36	244	213.8	181	21	4
Plymouth, . . .	46	12	11	43	37.9	37	185	159.9	119	36	6
Suffolk, . . .	786	18	466	123	105.6	109	1,788	1,454.3	1,280	19	89
Worcester, . . .	117	23	23	96	92.7	93	546	469.7	277	186	11
Total, . . .	2,056	221	846	663	597.4	602	5,884	4,986.4	3,794	874	119
Add State Poor, . . .	2,392	56	1,349	331	304.	315	2,212	1,602.	1,008	468	28
Aggregate of State and Town Poor, . . .	4,448	277	2,195	994	901.4	917	8,096	6,538.4	4,802	1,342	147

THE TOWNS' POOR FULLY SUPPORTED.

TABLE V.—Classification and Location of the Towns' Poor Fully Supported March 31, 1898.

COUNTIES.	NATIVE.		FOREIGN-BORN.		TOTAL.		IN TOWN ALMSHOUSES.				IN LUNATIC HOSPITALS.		IN SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE-MINDED.		IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS.		IN PRIVATE FAMILIES.			
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Adults.	Children.	Insane.	Idiotic.	In Lunatic Hos.	Adults.	Children.	Adults.	Children.	Adults.	Children.	Insane.	Idiotic.	
Barnstable,	72	72	3	5	75	77	75	3	20	20	47	1	1	1	1	22	3	5	1	
Berkshire,	134	136	53	60	187	196	93	6	20	14	105	4	2	14	4	130	31	10	15	
Bristol,	255	196	147	215	402	411	412	30	38	37	317	4	2	10	7	14	23	5	1	
Dukes,	6	9	-	2	6	11	-	-	-	-	5	1	-	1	-	11	-	2	-	
Essex,	579	472	226	265	805	737	794	41	179	57	522	21	-	30	102	38	15	6	3	
Franklin,	85	65	14	7	99	62	47	-	13	7	65	2	-	2	-	37	10	5	3	
Hampden,	210	179	113	149	323	328	377	20	115	11	166	2	1	8	18	41	21	8	1	
Hampshire,	72	88	31	28	103	116	75	-	23	6	88	3	1	4	1	46	5	4	6	
Middlesex,	614	564	357	418	971	982	1,058	61	199	53	616	32	8	88	22	69	39	15	3	
Nantucket,	16	16	1	4	17	20	26	3	6	2	6	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Norfolk,	197	122	62	63	259	185	186	4	21	19	181	10	4	11	8	39	15	4	3	
Plymouth,	162	125	35	33	197	163	163	12	36	26	119	7	3	13	2	40	6	5	1	
Suffolk,	1,083	739	324	841	1,407	1,580	1,013	18	19	9	1,280	79	19	169	188	60	259	39	2	
Worcester,	416	272	214	183	630	455	691	23	186	79	277	7	1	20	10	52	12	11	6	
Total,	3,901	3,045	1,580	2,273	5,481	5,318	5,010	221	874	340	3,794	173	44	373	363	599	439	119	45	

POPULATION OF THE TOWN ALMSHOUSES.

TABLE VI.—Population of the Town Alms-houses on March 31, 1896, '97 and '98.

COUNTIES.			SANE.		INSANE.		IDIOTIC.		TOTAL.		ADULTS.		CHILDREN.					
			1896.	1897.	1898.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1896.	1897.	1898.	
Barnstable, . . .	59	36	38	15	16	20	20	25	20	85	77	78	80	75	75	6	2	3
Berkshire, . . .	64	62	65	16	24	20	10	13	14	90	99	99	87	95	93	3	4	6
Bristol, . . .	349	321	367	37	53	38	36	38	37	422	412	442	371	385	412	51	27	30
Dukes, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Essex, . . .	443	534	599	190	196	179	48	47	57	681	777	835	647	725	794	34	52	41
Franklin, . . .	31	34	27	14	15	13	10	6	7	55	55	47	54	47	47	1	8	-
Hampden, . . .	237	258	271	115	121	115	9	13	11	361	392	397	357	380	377	4	12	20
Hampshire, . . .	57	55	46	15	24	23	5	7	6	77	86	75	73	82	75	4	3	-
Middlesex, . . .	749	801	867	196	198	199	56	62	53	1,001	1,061	1,119	928	1,015	1,058	73	46	61
Nantucket, . . .	15	18	22	4	5	5	3	2	2	22	25	29	22	24	26	-	1	3
Norfolk, . . .	136	127	150	24	27	21	18	23	19	178	182	190	172	179	186	6	3	4
Plymouth, . . .	121	118	113	29	37	36	20	26	26	170	181	175	168	172	163	2	9	12
Suffolk, . . .	1,137	970	1,003	1	82	19	-	11	9	1,138	1,013	1,031	1,138	1,001	1,013	-	12	18
Worcester, . . .	445	425	449	173	191	186	74	74	79	692	690	714	665	669	691	27	21	23
Total, . . .	3,834	3,769	4,017	829	907	874	309	352	340	4,972	5,050	5,231	4,762	4,850	5,010	210	200	221

THE STATE AND TOWN POOR SINCE 1863.

TABLE VII.—*Number of the State Poor and of the City and Town Poor remaining in the Institutions at the Close of Each Official Year from 1863.*

YEARS.	STATE POOR.										CITY AND TOWN POOR.		Total of all Classes.†
	State Almshouse, Tewksbury.*	State Primary School, Monson.†	State Farm, Bridgewater.*	Worcester Lunatic Hospital and Asylum.	Taunton Lunatic Hospital.	Northampton Lun. Hospital.	Danvers Lunatic Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Inebriates, Foxborough.	Total State Poor.†	In City and Town Almshouses.	In Lun. Hospitals and Asylums.	
1863,	683	570	536	175	238	258	-	-	-	2,544	8,000§	425	5,969
1864,	649	620	485	116	186	216	-	-	-	2,307	2,700§	448	5,455
1865,	687	541	482	91	152	235	-	-	-	2,259	2,800§	481	5,540
1866,	707	561	311	129	147	272	-	-	-	2,148	2,958	498	5,604
1867,	686	657	341	101	153	271	-	-	-	2,209	3,003	532	5,744
1868,	636	540	425	96	181	264	-	-	-	2,142	3,012	552	5,706
1869,	690	397	364	51	145	234	-	-	-	1,881	2,844	655	5,380
1870,	665	363	337	35	124	209	-	-	-	1,723	2,758	728	5,209
1871,	639	408	397	29	91	215	-	-	-	1,779	2,506	770	5,055
1872,	674	381	308	25	85	230	-	-	-	1,703	2,483	844	5,030
1873,	762	429	347	48	76	247	-	-	-	1,909	2,496	858	5,263
1874,	805	409	375	82	128	291	-	-	-	2,090	2,758	886	5,734
1875,	792	449	422	42	135	262	-	-	-	2,102	3,160	1,044	6,306
1876,	798	479	503	35	137	253	-	-	-	2,205	3,630	1,180	7,015
1877,	919	466	389	51	158	239	-	-	-	2,222	3,969	1,310	7,501
1878,	897	473	249	174	134	198	80	-	-	2,205	4,022	1,479	7,706
1879,	846	421	225	191	126	202	149	-	-	2,160	3,563	1,634	7,357
1880,	840	370	158	240	119	183	134	-	-	2,044	4,017	1,760	7,821
1881,	888	332	129	209	81	176	112	-	-	1,947	3,818	1,941	7,706
1882,	789	365	210	239	94	161	115	-	-	1,973	3,828	2,075	7,876
1883,	894	332	63	289	111	157	150	-	-	1,996	3,945	2,156	8,097
1884,	940	310	95	279	100	153	153	-	-	2,030	4,181	2,161	8,372
1885,	776	293	304	309	123	154	214	-	-	2,173	4,248	2,204	8,625
1886,	786	239	267	249	113	141	200	-	-	1,995	4,888	2,305	9,188
1887,	836	212	324	228	111	104	165	115	-	2,095	5,012	2,413	9,520
1888,	788	184	420	261	92	104	104	113	-	2,061	5,155	2,588	9,804
1889,	758	173	403	248	94	88	110	196	-	2,070	4,917	2,764	9,751
1890,	718	146	509	262	131	101	142	158	-	2,167	4,582	2,629	9,378
1891,	759	110	536	324	129	80	139	137	-	2,214	4,583	2,648	9,445
1892,	724	116	705	394	108	84	135	170	-	2,436	4,713	2,774	9,923
1893,	837	69	672	362	147	81	142	132	44	2,486	4,700	2,979	10,165
1894,	971	19	833	841	121	73	130	134	37	2,659	4,876	3,056	10,591
1895,	886	-||	870	329	118	73	138	125	54	2,593	4,994	3,235	1 0,
1896,	993	123	931	288	146	69	116	96	42	2,804	4,972	3,553	11,329
1897,	938	198	1,002	285	122	47	92	120	66	2,870	5,050	3,439	11,359
1898,	1,081	204	1,055	290	156	58	132	118	62	3,214	5,231	3,794	12,239

* Excluding town cases.

† Excluding court cases.

‡ Including for Rainsford Island Hospital 323 between 1863 and 1866, and at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics 58 in 1895.

§ Approximate.

|| Medfield Insane Asylum since 1896.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF IN-DOOR POOR SINCE 1863.

TABLE VIII. — *Average Number of the State, and the City and Town Poor in the Institutions Each Year from 1863.*

YEARS.	STATE POOR.										CITY AND TOWN POOR.		Total Average of State, City and Town Poor.†
	State Almshouse, Tewksbury.*	State Primary School Monson.†	State Farm, Bridgewater.*	Worcester Lunatic Hospital and Asylum.	Taunton Lunatic Hospital.	Northampton Lun. Hospital.	Danvers Lunatic Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Inebriates, Foxborough.	Total State Poor.‡	In City and Town Almshouses.‡	In Lun. Hospitals and Asylums.	
1863,	737	601	608	184	258	247	-	-	-	2,750	3,233	420	6,403
1864,	733	587	560	145	212	232	-	-	-	2,527	2,866	434	5,827
1865,	732	605	582	106	173	225	-	-	-	2,591	2,896	465	5,952
1866,	717	543	482	143	162	251	-	-	-	2,399	2,984	490	5,873
1867,	757	628	331	138	142	262	-	-	-	2,259	3,000	515	5,774
1868,	731	646	408	95	167	262	-	-	-	2,309	3,010	560	5,879
1869,	710	500	412	74	164	248	-	-	-	2,108	3,004	650	5,762
1870,	724	442	335	52	147	237	-	-	-	1,937	2,752	720	5,409
1871,	749	388	385	44	133	230	-	-	-	1,929	2,680	745	5,354
1872,	759	373	372	37	113	227	-	-	-	1,881	2,590	788	5,259
1873,	816	387	332	50	95	248	-	-	-	1,908	2,578	842	5,328
1874,	381	413	403	63	117	284	-	-	-	2,161	2,715	865	5,741
1875,	844	417	435	68	145	274	-	-	-	2,183	2,879	849	5,911
1876,	916	422	427	53	160	259	-	-	-	2,227	3,331	1,039	6,597
1877,	824	451	457	53	160	255	-	-	-	2,300	3,747	1,158	7,205
1878,	943	481	302	154	154	212	25	-	-	2,271	3,903	1,288	7,462
1879,	945	448	309	185	134	200	142	-	-	2,363	3,977	1,402	7,742
1880,	916	387	243	211	126	197	146	-	-	2,226	3,698	1,543	7,467
1881,	878	360	229	236	118	181	139	-	-	2,141	3,654	1,850	7,645
1882,	860	383	223	243	89	167	130	-	-	2,095	3,746	1,998	7,839
1883,	913	345	181	250	115	162	145	-	-	2,116	3,769	2,075	7,960
1884,	966	345	167	289	114	155	181	-	-	2,217	3,911	2,150	8,278
1885,	958	299	350	305	120	154	209	-	-	2,395	4,255	2,200	8,750
1886,	876	274	365	277	146	140	213	-	-	2,291	4,366	2,250	8,907
1887,	863	219	376	252	110	123	209	88	-	2,240	4,358	2,355	8,953
1888,	811	206	490	233	111	112	173	148	-	2,284	4,360	2,370	9,014
1889,	764	170	529	255	99	105	132	166	-	2,220	4,560	2,483	9,263
1890,	852	168	533	273	129	97	154	156	-	2,362	4,528	2,645	9,535
1891,	812	124	596	353	115	90	153	166	-	2,409	4,384	2,666	9,459
1892,	901	110	694	400	133	86	158	173	-	2,655	4,491	2,747	9,893
1893,	902	77	703	396	135	76	169	169	28||	2,645	4,458	2,965	10,058
1894,	1,052	69	858	376	138	81	153	144	46	2,917	4,575	3,067	10,559
1895,	997	87§	919	396	167	81	171	150	60	2,982	4,879	3,271	11,132
1896,	1,053	107¶	992	369	145	82	155	139	76	3,119	4,768	3,538	11,425
1897,	1,110	167	1,065	331	171	64	137	121	33	3,199	4,702	3,602	11,503
1898,	1,128	203	1,080	325	159	63	174	132	81	3,364	5,107	3,904	12,375

* Same State Poor only.

† Excluding court cases.

‡ Including cases at Rainsford Island Hospital in the years 1863-1867, and in 1898 at the Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, 19.

§ For 9 months.

|| For 34 weeks.

¶ Medfield Insane Asylum from 1896.

GENERAL SUMMARY SINCE 1879.

TABLE IX. — General Statistics of State, City and Town Paupers for Twenty Years.

YEARS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30 FOR THE STATE POOR, MARCH 31, FOR CITY AND TOWN POOR.	CITY AND TOWN POOR.				TOWN AND STATE POOR FULLY SUPPORTED IN ALMSHOUSES.*				TOWN AND STATE POOR FULLY SUPPORTED OUT OF ALMSHOUSES.†				STATE POOR PARTIALLY SUPPORTED.	
	Average Number Fully Supported.	Whole Number Fully Supported.	Whole Number Partially Supported.†	Net Expenses Reported.									Whole Number Relieved.	Cost of Relief.
					Whole Number Supported.	Average Number Supported.	Reported Alms-house Expenses.	Average Weekly Cost.	Whole Number Supported.	Average Number Supported.	Reported Ex-penses.	Average Weekly Cost.		
1879.	6,106	9,225	72,881	\$1,384,977	10,131	5,739	\$685,516	\$1 96	3,899	2,844	\$527,486	\$3 57	20,000	\$45,000
1880.	6,221	9,196	58,916	1,332,902	9,719	5,621	568,322	1 98	4,346	3,096	528,168	3 28	14,000	35,000
1881.	6,344	9,555	52,523	1,393,664	10,200	5,192	565,785	2 08	4,411	3,491	554,885	3 06	16,000	36,000
1882.	6,681	10,095	48,760	1,464,353	10,213	5,595	613,423	2 11	4,973	3,421	694,974	3 34	14,000	38,000
1883.	6,935	10,753	50,372	1,549,381	10,942	5,331	667,307	2 41	5,000	3,608	680,345	3 36	15,000	40,000
1884.	7,109	11,273	51,135	1,598,811	11,400	5,399	666,917	2 38	5,800	4,134	680,912	3 07	16,000	42,000
1885.	7,621	11,769	55,649	1,708,044	12,000	6,287	740,000	2 39	5,900	4,396	712,168	3 29	17,000	50,000
1886.	7,766	11,966	53,182	1,731,344	11,300	6,355	734,270	2 22	6,236	4,542	775,000	3 40	15,235	50,000
1887.	7,843	11,921	49,808	1,729,195	12,004	6,308	744,139	2 27	6,506	4,805	820,000	3 30	14,525	50,000
1888.	7,989	12,524	51,359	1,746,095	12,134	6,496	767,338	2 27	7,006	4,905	780,000	3 12	17,047	55,000
1889.	8,417	12,981	48,123	1,838,357	13,388	6,283	761,970	2 33	7,157	4,780	757,689	3 04	17,188	70,000
1890.	8,628	13,090	45,487	1,805,641	12,330	6,426	758,875	2 30	7,232	5,084	818,654	3 08	16,491	73,746
1891.	8,480	13,015	43,432	1,874,497	13,020	6,553	785,578	2 30	8,219	5,243	818,700	3 08	18,131	87,168
1892.	8,535	13,623	45,325	1,908,441	14,477	6,970	793,699	2 32	8,305	5,739	881,803	3 09	18,160	91,616
1893.	8,804	14,260	44,146	1,968,072	14,907	6,762	820,316	2 38	8,976	6,438	948,917	2 96	20,752	88,581
1894.	9,217	14,117	67,524	2,165,890	15,013	6,989	840,000	2 30	9,505	7,041	879,744	2 83	22,200	112,668
1895.	9,801	15,163	70,944	2,291,090	16,382	7,416	848,475	2 20	9,580	7,036	1,197,243	2 67	18,776	146,619
1896.	10,367	16,867	69,684	2,391,090	16,987	7,087	873,414	2 35	10,589	7,268	1,197,243	2 94	23,516	120,181
1897.	10,028	16,989	68,406	2,276,319	16,312	7,123	866,402	2 33	10,589	7,268	1,197,243	3 11	20,583	120,046
1898.	10,840	16,523	73,066	2,400,266	16,849	7,586	884,566	2 24	10,827	8,504	1,264,191	2 83	23,503	135,725

* Including all inmates at Monson, Bridgewater, and the Marcella Street Home in Boston.

† In Lunatic Hospitals and Asylums, and other institutions, as well as private families.

‡ This includes State Poor as well as Town Poor; relief being given through the towns.

§ Approximate.

NOTE. — The cost of State supervision is not included in this Table.

VALUATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

FINANCES OF THE STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE X. — *Valuation of the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Number of Acres of Land.	Value of Land.	Value of Build- ings.	Value of Personal Property.	Total Valuation.	Valuation of 1897.	Increase of Valuation.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	406.95	\$156,000 00	\$1,160,425 00	\$161,561 87	\$1,477,986 87	\$1,371,234 00	\$106,751 97
Worcester Insane Asylum,	11.13	193,880 00	255,000 00	43,927 88	492,807 88	484,721 52	8,086 36
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	172.	35,600 00	422,000 00	121,688 06	579,288 06	574,983 56	4,304 50
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	493.	53,000 00	487,100 00	73,987 75	614,087 75	615,389 00	*1,301 25
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	346.7	28,777 00	1,513,692 37	118,731 01	1,661,250 38	1,629,839 41	31,410 97
Westborough Insane Hospital,	420.22	31,042 31	406,400 00	93,404 56	530,846 87	531,071 35	*324 48
Medfield Insane Asylum,	425.	20,000 00	1,004,000 00	113,203 44	1,137,203 44	1,136,557 46	645 98
Hospital for Dipomania, Foxborough,	96.	15,000 00	132,825 00	28,685 01	183,510 01	176,569 06	6,940 95
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	226.	23,013 00	135,750 00	53,142 03	211,905 03	-	211,905 03
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	410.5	44,105 00	629,000 00	194,555 37	867,660 37	855,516 74	12,173 63
State Farm, Bridgewater,	653.25	40,234 00	508,800 00	159,316 92	708,900 92	684,646 81	24,255 11
Lyman School, Westborough,	265.	22,000 00	141,595 00	124,753 59	288,348 59	281,813 30	6,535 29
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	198.	11,000 00	107,115 00	31,071 64	149,186 64	128,686 12	20,501 52
Totals,	4,129.75	\$673,701 31	\$6,910,702 37	\$1,318,609 13	\$8,903,012 81	\$8,471,527 23	\$431,485 58
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham, .	95.	20,359 13	302,625 00	112,836 72	435,370 85	406,326 89	29,143 96

* Decrease in Personal Property.

VALUATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XI. — *Classified Valuation of Personal Property at the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Live Stock on the Farm.	Produce of the Farm on Hand.	Carriages and Agricultural Imple-ments.	Machinery and Mechanical Fixtures.	Beds and Bedding in the Inmates' Department.	Other Furni-ture in the Inmates' Department.	Property of the State in the Superin-tendent's Department.	Ready-Made Clothing.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$9,775 00	\$10,000 00	\$6,460 00	\$20,509 33	\$29,280 32	\$22,481 82	\$23,922 42	\$1,659 20
Worcester Insane Asylum,	250 00	857 50	500 00	9,000 00	9,000 00	3,500 00	9,500 00	2,924 81
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	7,929 50	4,760 50	4,877 95	37,000 00	23,289 54	10,749 13	11,944 52	-
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	8,277 00	10,198 44	3,558 00	14,860 00	12,500 00	9,250 00	7,500 00	1,271 32
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	10,554 50	8,191 45	5,740 05	18,707 07	18,185 21	22,331 96	17,370 15	3,194 14
Westborough Insane Hospital,	9,931 50	8,419 06	5,033 28	22,221 90	13,340 18	16,041 82	5,770 23	688 66
Medfield Insane Asylum,	6,246 50	1,186 50	4,350 93	20,368 00	27,115 20	31,288 00	9,644 12	1,455 12
Hospital for Dipso-maniacs, Foxborough,	2,375 00	1,622 00	1,544 44	1,162 54	3,527 24	3,194 25	3,494 80	161 74
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	3,998 50	3,731 42	2,255 50	18,363 20	8,563 74	4,620 32	5,676 35	874 25
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	12,338 10	11,400 55	6,324 33	62,707 75	28,531 86	33,208 84	22,522 97	5,670 38
State Farm, Bridgewater,	8,518 40	11,071 15	8,959 00	56,453 00	18,043 80	16,788 98	9,874 70	18,362 28
Lyman School, Westborough,	4,475 00	4,782 25	2,716 20	6,797 34	2,616 32	18,629 59	-	6,687 61
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	3,006 50	5,783 07	2,428 00	-	-	10,735 83*	-	-
Totals,	\$87,725 50	\$81,850 88	\$55,385 67	\$297,150 13	\$188,947 91	\$201,821 54	\$129,219 26	\$42,879 51
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	1,485 31	370 03	1,986 65	6,376 42	11,917 32	11,421 44	6,468 04	563 97

* Includes furnishings of the Superintendent's and Inmates' Department.

VALUATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

FINANCES OF THE STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE X. — *Valuation of the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Number of Acres of Land.	Value of Land.	Value of Build- ings.	Value of Personal Property.	Total Valuation.	Valuation of 1897.	Increase of Valuation.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	406.95	\$156,000 00	\$1,160,425 00	\$161,561 87	\$1,477,986 87	\$1,371,234 00	\$106,751 97
Worcester Insane Asylum,	11.13	193,880 00	255,000 00	43,927 88	492,807 88	484,721 52	8,086 36
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	172.	35,600 00	422,000 00	121,688 06	579,288 06	574,963 56	4,304 50
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	493.	53,000 00	487,100 00	73,987 75	614,087 75	615,389 00	*1,301 25
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	346.7	23,777 00	1,513,692 37	118,751 01	1,661,250 38	1,629,839 41	31,410 97
Westborough Insane Hospital,	420.22	31,042 31	406,400 00	93,404 56	530,846 87	531,671 35	*824 48
Medfield Insane Asylum,	426.	20,000 00	1,004,000 00	113,203 44	1,137,203 44	1,136,557 46	645 98
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	96.	15,000 00	138,825 00	23,685 01	183,510 01	176,569 06	6,940 95
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	226.	23,013 00	135,750 00	53,142 03	211,905 03	-	211,905 03
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	410.5	44,105 00	629,000 00	104,585 37	867,690 37	855,516 74	12,173 63
State Farm, Bridgewater,	653.25	40,284 00	508,800 00	159,816 92	708,900 92	684,645 81	24,255 11
Lyman School, Westborough,	265.	22,000 00	141,595 00	194,753 59	288,348 59	281,813 30	6,535 29
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	198.	11,000 00	107,115 00	31,071 64	149,186 64	128,585 12	20,601 52
Total,	4,129.75	\$678,701 31	\$6,910,702 37	\$1,818,609 13	\$8,903,012 81	\$8,471,527 23	\$431,485 58
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham, .	95.	20,369 13	302,625 00	112,886 72	433,370 85	408,326 89	25,043 96

* Decrease in Personal Property.

VALUATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XI. — *Classified Valuation of Personal Property at the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Live Stock on the Farm.	Produce of the Farm on Hand.	Carriages and Agricultural Implements.	Machinery and Mechanical Fixtures.	Beds and Bedding in the Inmates' Department.	Other Furniture in the Inmates' Department.	Property of the State in the Superintendent's Department.	Ready-Made Clothing.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$9,775 00	\$10,000 00	\$6,450 00	\$29,509 33	\$25,280 32	\$22,481 82	\$26,922 42	\$1,659 20
Worcester Insane Asylum,	250 00	857 50	500 00	9,000 00	9,000 00	3,500 00	9,500 00	2,924 81
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	7,929 50	4,760 50	4,877 96	37,000 00	23,289 54	10,749 13	11,944 52	-
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	8,277 00	10,198 44	3,558 00	14,860 00	12,500 00	8,250 00	7,500 00	1,271 32
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	10,554 50	8,191 45	5,740 05	18,707 07	13,185 21	22,331 96	17,370 15	3,194 14
Westborough Insane Hospital,	9,931 50	8,419 06	5,683 28	22,221 90	13,340 18	16,041 83	5,770 23	688 66
Medfield Insane Asylum,	6,246 50	1,136 50	4,350 93	20,368 00	27,115 20	31,289 00	9,644 12	1,485 12
Hospital for Dipso-manics, Foxborough,	2,375 00	1,022 00	1,544 44	1,162 54	3,527 24	3,194 25	3,494 80	161 74
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	3,908 50	3,731 42	2,235 50	18,363 20	3,568 74	4,520 32	5,675 35	874 25
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	12,338 10	11,400 55	6,324 33	62,707 75	28,531 86	33,208 84	22,522 97	5,670 38
State Farm, Bridgewater,	8,518 40	11,071 15	8,959 00	56,453 00	18,043 30	16,788 98	9,374 70	18,362 28
Lyman School, Westborough,	4,475 00	4,782 25	2,716 20	6,797 34	2,616 32	18,629 59	-	6,687 61
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	3,006 50	5,733 07	2,426 00	-	-	10,735 83*	-	-
Totals,	\$37,725 50	\$31,850 83	\$55,385 67	\$297,150 13	\$138,947 91	\$201,821 54	\$129,219 26	\$42,879 51
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	1,485 31	370 03	1,986 65	6,376 42	11,917 32	11,421 44	6,468 04	563 97

* Includes furnishings of the Superintendent's and Inmates' Department.

VALUATION OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XI. — *Classified Valuation of Personal Property, etc. — Concluded.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Dry Goods.	Provisions and Groceries.	Drugs and Medicines.	Fuel.	Library.	Other Supplies undistributed.	Funds and Investments.	Totals.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$792 55	\$3,967 81	\$900 00	\$1,406 50	\$4,500 00	\$5,276 39	\$8,640 53	\$161,561 87
Worcester Insane Asylum,	763 21	1,461 63	375 00	3,500 00	600 00	1,666 73	-	43,927 88
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	9,225 86*	3,371 59	600 00	4,000 00	800 00	3,139 47	-	121,668 06
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	1,045 80	2,420 85	667 30	204 40	1,000 00	2,237 64	-	73,987 75
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	1,504 37	2,521 11	1,563 55	4,257 64	1,350 00	3,059 81	-	118,781 01
Westborough Insane Hospital,	2,812 40	1,598 99	1,056 97	2,569 80	1,435 98	1,833 80	-	93,404 56
Medfield Insane Asylum,	3,413 60	3,528 43	275 00	2,614 50	50 00	1,736 49	-	113,203 44
Hospital for Dipomaniaes, Foxborough,	733 79	963 43	200 00	2,906 25	378 27	7,383 21	-	28,665 01
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	424 08	838 83	500 00	2,500 00	500 00	5,241 84	-	53,142 03
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	2,782 27	3,270 14	1,225 69	2,152 50	2,400 00	-	-	104,585 87
State Farm, Bridgewater,	3,165 03	4,997 69	577 89	2,717 50	288 00	-	-	159,316 92
Lyman School, Westborough,	613 88	1,946 88	444 75	841 35	3,113 05	3,313 86	67,325 51	124,763 59
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	927 00	765 59	12 00	2,405 31	822 00†	844 20	3,394 14	31,071 64
Totals,	\$23,503 84	\$31,736 07	\$8,598 15	\$32,075 76	\$17,237 30	\$36,317 44	\$79,860 18	\$1,318,609 13
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	440 02	1,150 10	200 45	3,432 50	847 65	3,519 91	62,206 91	112,386 72

* Includes "Clothing."

† Includes furnishings of Library and Chapel.

RECEIPTS OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XII. — Receipts of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.

INSTITUTIONS.	Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1897.	APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES.				From Special Appropriations.	From Farm and the Labor of Inmates.	For Support.		From all other Sources.	Total Receipts at the Institutions.	Other Receipts on Account of the Institutions.
		From Unexpended Appropriations of former Calendar Years.	From Ordinary Appropriations of present Calendar Year.	Total from Appropriations for Current Expenses.	From Cities and Towns.			From Individuals.				
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$44,031 90	\$18,809 13	\$18,489 62	\$37,278 75	\$77,280 81	\$2,373 77	\$86,309 08	\$43,099 90	\$6,783 52	\$206,252 73	\$13,083 92	
Worcester Insane Asylum,	13,808 08	9,115 78	8,688 75	17,804 53	-	-	65,581 96	-	879 12	88,073 69	-	
Thampton Lunatic Hospital,	19,962 51	14,284 31	13,468 03	27,752 34	13,292 82	1,503 22	82,680 51	15,536 08	3,847 08	173,911 29	4,811 66	
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	1,866 11	4,568 18	4,817 90	9,386 08	-	-	66,662 04	22,490 08	2,786 87	104,684 40	312 00	
Deavers Lunatic Hospital,	13,681 30	11,349 91	14,501 14	25,851 05	60,821 01	1,588 65	99,822 93	29,962 07	6,777 78	237,354 77	8,729 04	
Westborough Insane Hospital,	7,368 58	10,951 91	11,152 35	22,104 38	31,712 98	-	55,446 47	30,135 65	284 16	147,082 10	3,791 57	
Medfield Insane Asylum,	2,915 76	143,365 51	14,662 25	57,927 76	-	-	109,628 29	292 00	4,587 55	175,351 86	378 43	
Hospital for Dipso-maniacs, Foxborough,	3,597 12	7,083 11	125,602 12	32,635 23	7,000 00	7,908 42	14,851 20	2,372 19	213 55	88,637 71	4,638 19	
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	-	1,170 94	10,611 35	11,782 29	7,955 86	643 52	1,134 31	425 04	384 20	22,225 22	-	
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	-	38,772 80	107,609 25	146,282 05	31,496 12	-	-	-	994 82	178,772 99	23,348 57	
State Farm, Bridgewater,	-	32,701 20	98,650 39	131,351 59	71,911 80	4,898 04	-	-	528 83	208,680 26	13,750 88	
Lyman School, Westborough,	-	19,476 10	46,383 82	65,864 92	119,407 04	410 71	-	-	85 50	86,768 17	-	
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	-	7,340 17	24,209 25	31,549 42	119,860 21	1,185 65	-	-	-	42,715 28	-	
Totals,	\$106,521 36	\$218,889 05	\$398,631 22	\$617,520 27	\$330,358 65	\$20,461 98	\$582,146 70	\$144,312 96	\$27,137 96	\$1,828,459 97	\$72,819 26	
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	-	6,250 00	34,956 45	41,206 45	21,640 86	-	32,572 07	13,197 99	23,497 01	132,014 38	2,133 37	

* As reported last year, and including \$1,481.38 of patients' deposits.

† Of this sum \$28,101.71 came from the special maintenance appropriation of 1897.

‡ Includes \$20,125.02 from the special maintenance appropriation of 1898.

§ From May 2, 1898, the date of opening.

|| Includes \$2,801.30 for boarding out pupils, and \$6,119.43 for visiting them.

¶ Includes \$1,426.43 for boarding young girls, and \$15.50 for their schooling.

EXPENDITURES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XIII. — *Expenditures of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	CURRENT EXPENSES.								Expenses of Trustees, Inspectors, or Superintendents.
	Salaries, Wages and Labor.	Provisions and Supplies.	Clothing.	Fuel and Lights.	Medicines and Medical Supplies.	Furniture, Beds and Bedding.	Transportation and Travelling Expenses.	Ordinary Repairs.	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$61,585 90	\$57,298 07	\$8,756 65	\$12,218 13	\$1,575 96	\$4,148 77	\$254 96	\$8,856 55	\$41 84
Worcester Insane Asylum,	23,801 92	21,308 11	4,399 19	5,481 17	226 66	1,926 64	335 35	6,237 12	20 92
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	50,582 41	45,003 19	5,370 47	13,375 51	1,806 33	5,632 53	475 15	5,691 18	108 44
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	37,579 92	28,502 65	2,511 83	7,023 46	1,214 69	2,403 90	500 67	1,448 72	181 35
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	64,825 58	47,254 83	6,675 06	10,554 98	1,602 84	3,612 83	3,009 45	4,941 31	569 76
Westborough Insane Hospital,	49,761 38	31,386 35	2,112 61	8,458 78	358 90	3,557 16	3,520 77	3,583 85	337 77
Medfield Insane Asylum,	58,808 07	42,230 55	10,014 08	13,459 12	1,116 04	1,528 02	1,305 22	5,572 64	256 11
Hospital for Dipso-manics, Foxborough,	20,384 73	11,910 30	1,895 46	2,700 11	399 78	476 03	383 67	2,014 69	501 23
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,*	5,943 72	2,156 27	331 66	1,206 44	37 80	38 56	108 07	59 52	116 00
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	36,551 04	49,476 74	12,906 32	12,958 86	7,422 62	2,084 20	5,470 12	9,812 86	327 36
State Farm, Bridgewater,	40,020 06	43,745 73	10,127 91	10,701 30	1,481 89	3,689 14	2,131 62	6,229 22	354 24
Lyman School, Westborough,	26,688 27	14,141 59	5,714 92	6,599 26	172 90	2,031 62	954 80	3,800 98	241 61
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	12,682 92	6,926 60	2,815 23	2,717 02	76 11	612 13	905 06	1,699 68	241 61
Totals,	\$489,246 01	\$401,841 08	\$78,131 39	\$107,463 64	\$17,582 52	\$31,691 58	\$19,354 91	\$59,497 82	\$3,348 24
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	35,739 28	22,861 81	4,514 56	6,782 66	1,904 05	2,957 86	238 51	11,547 96	-

* For five months.

EXPENDITURES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

TABLE XIII. — Concluded.

INSTITUTIONS.	CURRENT EXPENSES — CON.		EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES.				Total Disbursements.	Average Weekly Cost as computed by the Superintendents.
	All other Ordinary Expenses.	Total Current Expenditures.	Buildings and Improvements.	Extraordinary Repairs.	Miscellaneous Disbursements.	Total Extraordinary Expenses.		
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$13,934 83	\$168,721 85	\$95,180 71	\$3,431 18	\$3,604 66	\$102,216 55	\$270,938 40	\$3 60
Worcester Insane Asylum,	3,295 17	67,082 25	12,000 00	-	84 82	12,084 82	79,167 07	3 00
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	10,124 47	138,259 73	13,292 82	-	-	13,292 82	151,552 55	3 40
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	7,541 98	88,999 17	-	10,044 84	4,477 99	14,522 83	103,432 00	3 18
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	10,572 85	153,619 59	40,321 01	20,000 00	-	60,321 01	213,940 60	3 43
Westborough Insane Hospital,	4,300 79	107,427 86	31,712 98	341 75	-	32,054 73	139,482 59	3 65
Medfield Insane Asylum,	15,802 04	150,091 89	1,698 29	2,114 16	718 60	4,531 05	154,622 94	2 91
Hospital for Dipomania, Foxborough,	8,030 67	48,196 67	7,000 00	-	11,186 36	18,186 36	66,383 03	5 63
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	1,143 98	11,142 02	3,379 45	4,576 41	1,302 97	9,258 83	20,400 85	4 62
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	9,792 43	146,232 05	26,305 13	5,190 99	994 82*	32,490 94	178,772 99	2 18
State Farm, Bridgewater,	12,870 48	131,351 59	71,911 80	-	5,416 87*	77,328 67	208,680 26	2 10
Lyman School, Westborough,	5,760 58	68,106 58	10,486 31	-	496 21*	10,982 52	77,089 05	4 52
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	2,873 06	31,549 42	8,538 23	-	2,627 63†	11,165 86	42,715 28	3 79
Totals,	\$106,063 43	\$1,308,740 62	\$321,326 73	\$45,699 33	\$30,910 93	\$398,436 99†	\$1,707,177 61	-
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	7,779 27	94,325 46	20,815 49	-	8,852 71	35,668 20	129,993 66	\$3 24

* Paid into State Treasury.

† Of this sum \$1,185.65 was paid into the State Treasury.

‡ Of this amount \$330,358.65 was derived from special appropriations for construction or repairs.

FINANCIAL CONDITION SEPT. 30, 1898.

TABLE XIV. — Financial Condition of the State Institutions Sept. 30, 1898.

INSTITUTIONS.	LIABILITIES.			RESOURCES.						Balance in favor of the Institutions.
	Salaries Unpaid.	Bills Payable.	Total Liabilities.	Cash on hand.	Bills Receivable.	Unexpended Current Appropria-tions.	Total Resources applicable to Current Ex-penses.	Unexpended Special Appro-pria-tions.	Total Available Resources.*	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	\$5,277 73	\$9,893 86	\$15,141 59	\$25,314 83	\$43,542 25	-	\$68,856 58	\$31,719 19	\$100,576 77	\$85,434 18
Worcester Insane Asylum,	2,077 75	3,556 29	5,634 04	8,906 62	18,115 71	-	27,022 33	-	27,022 33	21,388 29
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	4,336 28	14,307 59	18,643 87	21,353 74	33,764 47	-	57,143 21	4,571 80	61,715 01	48,071 14
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	3,224 02	9,272 76†	12,496 78	1,252 40	27,127 83	-	28,880 23	45,002 18	73,882 41	60,885 63
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	5,873 51	9,814 82	15,688 33	15,979 38	40,617 56	-	56,596 94	27,723 99	84,320 93	68,637 60
Westborough Insane Hospital,	4,317 19	6,137 40	10,454 59	7,549 51	23,832 78	-	33,382 29	34,320 51	67,702 80	67,243 21
Medfield Insane Asylum,	5,065 81	9,478 94	14,544 75	20,728 42	38,054 34‡	\$25,000 00§	83,782 76	15,000 00	98,782 76	84,238 01
Hospital for Dipomania, Fox-borough,	-	-	-	2,254 68	8,052 90	4,874 00	15,182 56	-	15,182 56	15,182 56
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	1,566 33	602 59	2,258 92	1,824 37	7,284 76	13,664 63	22,723 76	14,032 91	36,756 67	34,497 75
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	-	-	-	-	-	45,990 75	45,990 75	67,239 01	113,229 76	113,229 76
State Farm, Bridgewater,	-	-	-	-	-	38,349 61	38,349 61	36,056 20	74,405 81	74,405 81
Lyman School, Westborough,	-	-	-	-	-	16,389 84	16,389 84	18,100 84	34,490 68	34,490 68
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	-	-	-	-	-	9,090 63	9,090 63	1,779 05	10,869 68	10,869 68
Totals,	\$31,738 62	\$63,124 25	\$94,862 87	\$105,168 45	\$244,362 60||	\$153,360 44	\$502,891 49	\$295,550 68	\$798,442 17	\$703,579 80¶
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	-	-	-	-	4,940 47	8,750 00	13,690 47	20,000 00**	33,690 47	33,690 47

* Exclusive of Invested Funds, viz.: At Worcester Hospital \$9,640.53 for the Library, and for Lawn; at the Lyman School, the Lyman Fund, \$65,007.76, and the Mary Lamb Fund \$2,317.76; at the Industrial School, the Mary Lamb Fund, \$1,394.14, the Fay Fund, \$1,000, and the Rogers Fund, \$1,000 (held by the State Treasurer); in all at these institutions \$79,360.18. The several funds at the School for Feeble-Minded aggregate \$82,206.91. † Includes \$3,000 loans.

‡ Includes \$54.79 interest due. § The undrawn maintenance appropriation of 1898. || Of this amount there is due the lunatic hospitals and asylums for board of patients, \$46,822.71 from the State, \$145,550.45 from cities and towns, and \$37,000.68 from individuals.

** For land not yet bought.

¶ Of this amount there is available for current expenses \$408,023.62.

COMPARATIVE PER CAPITA COST.

TABLE XV. — Comparative Cost of Different Items by the Week.

INSTITUTIONS.	Reported Average Number of Inmates.	Salaries, Wages and Labor.	Provisions and Supplies.	Clothing.	Fuel and Lights.	Medicine and Medical Supplies.	Furniture, Beds and Bedding.	Transportation and Travelling Expenses.	Ordinary Repairs.	All other Ordinary Expenses.	AVERAGE WEEKLY COST.	
											Aggregate of the foregoing Items.	Estimated by the Superintendent.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	871.4	\$1 88.9	\$1 26.5	\$0 19.3	\$0 27.	\$0 03.5	\$0 09.1	\$0 00.6	\$0 19.5	\$0 30.9	\$3 72.3	\$3 60
Worcester Insane Asylum,	428.16	1 08.9	95.7	19.7	24.6	01.	08.7	01.5	28.3	14.9	3 01.3	3 00
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	781.61	1 24.4	1 10.7	13.3	32.9	04.7	13.8	01.2	14.	25.2	3 40.1	3 40
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	546.16	1 32.3	1 00.4	08.8	24.7	04.3	08.5	01.7	05.1	27.2	3 13.	3 18
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	871.45	1 43.	1 04.3	14.7	23.3	03.5	08.	06.7	10.9	24.6	3 39.	3 43
Westborough Insane Hospital,	563.91	1 60.7	1 07.	07.2	23.8	01.2	12.1	12.	12.2	16.1	3 66.3	3 65
Medfield Insane Asylum,	974.59	1 19.6	85.9	20.4	27.3	02.3	03.1	02.6	11.3	32.7	3 05.2	2 91
Hospital for Dipomaniacs, Foxborough,	164.58	2 38.2	1 39.1	16.3	31.6	04.6	05.5	04.5	23.5	99.8	5 63.1	5 63
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	*130.83	2 03.8	76.1	11.7	42.6	01.3	01.4	03.8	02.1	44.5	3 93.3	4 62
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	1,292.	54.5	73.6	19.2	19.3	11.	03.	08.1	13.9	15.1	2 17.7	2 18
State Farm, Bridgewater,	1,198.	64.3	70.2	16.2	17.2	02.4	05.9	03.3	10.	21.3	2 10.8	2 10
Lyman School, Westborough,	279.42	1 83.7	97.3	39.3	46.4	01.2	14.	06.6	26.2	41.3	4 55.	4 52
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	159.	1 53.4	83.8	34.	32.8	00.9	07.5	10.9	20.5	37.9	3 81.6	3 79
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	568.	1 23.2	78.8	15.6	23.4	06.6	10.2	00.9	39.8	26.5	3 25.	3 24
Totals,	8,742.76	\$1 15.5	\$0 83.3	\$0 17.1	\$0 25.1	\$0 04.3	\$0 07.6	\$0 04.3	\$0 15.6	\$0 25.8	\$3 08.6	-

* For five months.

SUMMARY OF POPULATION AND COST.

TABLE XVI. — *Population and Expenses of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Persons Admitted.	Whole No. Maintained.	Deaths.	No. of Inmates Repl. 30, 1898.	NET COST TO THE STATE.			Whole Sum derived from the State Treasury.
					Average No. sup- ported by the State.	Current Expenses.	Average Weekly Cost.	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	483	1,342	101	874	219.9	\$24,214 83	\$2 11.8	\$114,559 56
Worcester Insane Asylum,	23	456	21	419	104.84	17,804 53	3 26.6	17,804 53
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	361	1,111	82	806	158.57	22,890 68	2 77.6	40,996 16
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	212	724	49	563	63.34	9,074 08	2 76.6	9,886 08
Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	449	1,242	107	890	174.	17,122 01	1 89.2	86,172 06
Westborough Insane Hospital,	259	802	44	584	132.29	18,812 69	2 66.2	59,817 24
Medfield Insane Asylum,	145	1,106	83	1,001	203.17	57,554 38	5 25.5	59,927 76
Hospital for Dipomania, Foxborough,	287	463	6	159	81.	27,997 04	7 12.2	39,635 23
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,*	206	206	1	200	45.87	11,782 29	11 86.2	19,738 15
State Almshouse, Tewksbury,	3,140	4,220	291	1,252	1,127.56	121,938 66	2 07.9	177,778 17
State Farm, Bridgewater,	1,684	2,680	72	1,168	1,080.	112,183 84	1 99.7	203,263 89
Lyman School, Westborough,	272	493	1	296	279.42	65,610 32	4 51.5	85,271 96
State Industrial School, Lancaster,	90	199	—	167	159.	30,863 77	3 67.2	41,529 63
Totals,	7,610	15,063	858	8,879	3,902.19	\$536,607 46	\$2 71.4	\$947,878 92
Totals [excluding transfers],	7,499	14,689	—	—	—	—	—	—
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded, Waltham,	148	660	18	598	304.	39,073 08	2 47.1	62,747 81

* For five months.

PROVISIONS AND SUPPLIES.

TABLE XVII. — *Kind and Cost of Provisions at the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Meat of all	Fish of all	Fruit and	Flour.	Grain and	Grain and	Grain and	Tea, Coffee	Sugar and	Milk, Butter	Salt and	All other	Total.
Kinds.	Kinds.	Kinds.	Vegetables.		Meal for	Meal for	Stock.	and Choco-	Molasses.	and Cheese.	and other Gro-	Provisions.	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, .	\$13,177 22	\$3,041 79	\$5,502 02	\$6,807 50	\$627 68	\$4,512 31		\$2,052 06	\$4,341 38	\$3,884 51	\$4,484 80	\$3,805 58	\$57,298 07
Worcester Insane Asylum, .	2,862 00	661 30	2,634 78	4,041 92	43 28	463 22		581 45	1,075 55	6,584 06	310 50	2,053 26	21,308 11
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, .	13,189 82	1,424 52	3,177 48	7,349 26	551 81	3,291 13		1,611 31	2,364 64	7,532 17	4,511 05	-	45,003 19
Northampton Lunatic Hospital, .	6,116 18	1,294 61	2,450 06	4,148 00	298 48	3,161 40		1,022 20	2,339 13	4,377 40	2,092 53	1,202 66	28,502 65
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, .	13,170 70	2,471 30	3,172 17	6,979 50	490 00	3,582 11		1,818 31	3,725 76	5,437 50	3,692 87	2,714 71	47,354 93
Westborough Insane Hospital, .	8,376 89	1,618 97	2,535 20	4,706 25	394 45	3,239 14		1,824 45	2,018 20	3,272 91	3,371 81	528 68	31,386 35
Medfield Insane Asylum, .	10,512 77	909 13	2,742 71	7,027 51	844 87	2,839 20		2,764 07	4,217 40	4,637 96	3,464 12	2,210 81	42,230 55
Hospital for Dipso-manics, Fox-	2,792 95	530 95	751 39	2,890 63	61 28	832 26		393 24	947 29	1,515 35	1,684 96	-	11,910 30
borough,	690 43	65 86	147 61	-	15 21	160 11		116 69	234 64	349 68	117 02	259 02	2,156 27
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson, *	14,115 61	2,164 99	1,955 33	10,319 51	206 10	3,804 66		1,464 04	2,651 84	6,338 84	3,303 38	3,097 44	49,476 74
State Almshouse, Tewksbury, .	11,117 60	2,324 31	2,847 51	12,394 17	237 80	3,431 59		1,557 52	2,693 24	1,741 82	1,490 17	3,710 00	43,745 73
State Farm, Bridgewater, .	2,614 41	685 19	1,011 96	3,152 19	297 93	2,129 47		250 15	1,224 31	1,207 74	299 11	1,269 13	14,141 59
Lyman School, Westborough, .	1,295 05	454 35	194 48	983 75	1,746 39	†		175 23	428 27	527 08	1,121 00	-	6,926 60
State Industrial School, Lancaster,													
Massachusetts School for Feeble-													
Minded, Waltham,	4,298 06	403 47	1,597 04	4,018 10	314 62	1,377 51		252 87	1,469 20	7,023 52	1,080 07	1,031 85	22,861 31
Aggregates,	\$104,315 38	\$18,110 74	\$30,330 34	\$74,318 29	\$6,229 90	\$32,824 21		\$15,385 21	\$32,750 85	\$59,480 54	\$31,033 89	\$21,943 04	\$424,202 39

* Five months only.

† Included in the preceding item.

INSTITUTION POPULATION FOR TWELVE YEARS.

TABLE XVIII. — *Average Number of Inmates at the State Institutions for Twelve Years.*

INSTITUTIONS.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, . . .	719.64	708.19	719.74	811.48	807.02	857.36	878.78	889.91	922.34	956.26	853.58	874.1
Worcester Insane Asylum, . . .	383.52	393.95	385.56	330.23	394.66	427.82	446.94	442.28	460.68	427.36	488.14	498.16
Taunton Lunatic Hospital, . . .	688.	628.	633.	639.49	649.	692.95	723.03	766.	817.73	819.37	796.19	781.61
Northampton Lunatic Hospital, . . .	478.55	470.25	466.1	470.5	467.	469.09	480.26	494.11	526.56	560.49	544.51	546.16
Danvers Lunatic Hospital, . . .	743.	736.	734.	782.28	784.	834.31	870.4	879.	935.	914.28	822.95	871.45
Westborough Insane Hospital, . . .	*248.47	369.6	437.89	474.90	473.09	508.61	521.3	530.75	564.35	579.97	546.57	563.91
Medfield Insane Asylum, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	†461.61	741.95	974.59
Hospital for Dipseomaniacs, Foxborough,	-	-	-	-	-	-	‡62.78	101.08	125.14	145.32	148.77	164.58
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	†180.83
State Almshouse, Tewksbury, . . .	904.	878.	846.	932.	900.	991.	1,050.	1,217.	1,167.	1,231.	1,289.	1,292.
State Farm, Bridgewater, . . .	376.	530.	563.	574.	600.	774.	786.	947.	1,002.	1,098.	1,186.	1,198.
State Primary School, Monson, . . .	832.	321.	314.	359.	329.	293.	207.	219.	387.15	-	-	-
Lyman School, Westborough, . . .	104.32	127.24	168.23	186.46	183.96	203.88	226.05	223.	246.73	264.61	281.87	279.42
State Industrial School, Lancaster, . . .	67.87	71.44	78.6	94.07	89.01	89.2	95.	117.	116.	120.	188.	189.
Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded,	179.	195.	196.	240.	328.	364.	368.	423.	426.	416.	438.	558.
Aggregates,	6,141.36	5,423.67	5,007.87	5,894.2	6,034.74	6,506.22	6,723.81	7,204.08	7,874.89	7,726.99	8,206.53	8,742.76

* For ten months.

† For five months.

‡ For thirty-four weeks.

§ For nine months.

INSANITY IN MASSACHUSETTS.

INSANITY IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND ASYLUMS.

TABLE XIX. — *Admissions, Discharges, etc., at Institutions for the Insane for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.*

	Worcester Lunatic Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Lunatic Hospital.	Northampton Lunatic Hospital.	Danvers Lunatic Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics, Monson.	Medford Insane Asylum.	Asylum Ward, State Almshouse, Tewksbury.	Asylum for Insane Criminals, Bridgewater.	Melrose Asylum, Waverley.	Boston Lunatic Hospital.	Herbert Hall, Worcester.	The Highlands, Winchendon.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1897,														
Males,	867	435	758	522	808	551	-	961	469	325	155	507	12	11
Females,	392	217	869	268	303	212	-	453	109	325	76	246	-	5
	485	218	389	254	450	339	-	508	360	-	79	261	12	6
Since admitted,														
Males,	488	22	362	213	461	269	174	145	85	54	137	313	9	12
Females,	257	1	201	111	247	126	85	35	45	54	63	160	-	11
	231	21	161	102	204	143	89	110	40	-	74	163	9	1
Cases within the year,	1,855	457	1,120	735	1,254	820	174	1,106	554	379	292	820	21	23
Persons within the year,														
Males,	1,342	456	1,111	723	1,242	802	174	1,106	554	379	298	805	21	23
Females,	632	217	665	372	591	332	85	488	154	379	138	391	-	16
	710	239	546	351	651	470	99	618	400	-	150	414	21	7
Residents of other States,	-	-	-	6	1	3	-	-	-	-	48	-	3	3
Average number,	871.4	428.16	781.61	546.16	871.45	563.91	110.68*	974.59	461.17	301.6	152.82	516.09	12.29	11.6
Discharges, viz: —														
Recovered,	481	38	314	172	364	236	3	105	102	79	128	253	8	13
Much improved,	121	1	52	40	57	55	-	1	7	5	31	44	1	3
Improved,	56	1	37	19	46	46	-	5	1	2	24	22	2	4
Not improved,	70	15	55	18	36	24	2	5	8	1	25	15	1	1
Not insane,	125	8	88	43	109	33	-	12	56	46	23	108	4	3
Died,	101	21	82	49	107	44	1	83	30	24	15	63	-	-

* For five months, equivalent to 46.04 through a year.

INSANITY IN MASSACHUSETTS.

TABLE XIX. — Continued.

	Worcester Lunatic Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Lunatic Hospital.	Northampton Lunatic Hospital.	Danvers Lunatic Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics, Monson.	Medford Insane Asylum.	Asylum Ward, State Almshouse, Tewksbury.	Asylum for Insane Criminals, Bridgewater.	McLean Hospital, Waverley.	Boston Lunatic Hospital.	Herbert Hall, Worcester.	The Highlands, Winchendon.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1898,	874	419	806	663	890	584	171	1,001	452	300	164	597	13	10
Males,	378	206	401	283	416	232	82	424	103	300	73	823	—	7
Females,	496	213	405	280	474	352	89	577	349	—	91	244	13	3
Supported by the State,	183	107	156	58	182	118	50	204	281	187	—	—	—	—
by towns,	531	312	576	407	658	374	120	797	171	113	164	480	13	10
by individuals,	160	—	74	98	100	92	1	—	—	—	—	87	—	—
Residents of other States,	—	—	—	5	1	3	—	—	—	—	34	—	2	3
Whole number of admissions, viz.:—	488	22	362	213	451	269	174	145	85	64	137	313	9	12
Supported by the State,	286	5	146	35	202	100	51	25	76	38	—	—	—	—
Of this hospital,	198	17	188	141	210	106	122	120	9	16	—	273	—	—
by towns,	54	—	28	37	39	63	1	—	—	—	137	40	9	12
by individuals,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
First hospital admissions,	361	—	274	155	342	173	21	—	74	22	100	216	7	10
Former inmates,	127	22	88	58	109	96	153	145	11	32	37	97	2	2
Of this hospital,	78	3	63	55	70	62	—	2	—	1	21	58	2	1
Of other hospitals,	49	19	25	3	39	34	163	143	11	31	16	39	—	1
Among the admissions were														
Admitted as habitual drunkards,*	3	—	3	3	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Received as voluntary patients, . .	—	—	—	1	2	24	—	—	—	—	61	7	2	10

* Reported only by State hospitals.

† Four supported by the hospital.

INSANITY IN MASSACHUSETTS.

TABLE XIX. — Continued.

	Private Asylum, Brookline.	Woodbourne, Jamaica Plain.	Riverview, Baldwinville.	Private Asylum, Norwood.	Newton Nervine.	Attleborough Sanitarium.	Wellesley Nervine	Locust Grove, Sandwich.	Cutler Retreat, Pepperell.	Sanatorium, Ar- lington Heights.	Framingham Nervine.	Laurelwood, Newton.	Boarded In Ramfilies.	Total for the State.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1897,														
Males,	12	10	4	6	9	-	-	2	1	-	5	2	121	6,647
Females,	11	8	3	4	6	-	-	2	-	-	6	1	23	3,049
Since admitted,														
Males,	2	5	1	2	25	-	4	-	1	-	1	1	10	2,786
Females,	2	2	1	1	6	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	1,400
Since within the year,														
Males,	14	15	5	7	34	-	4	2	2	-	6	3	131	9,333
Females,	14	14	6	7	34	-	4	2	2	-	6	3	130	8,805
Persons within the year,														
Males,	13	9	4	5	23	-	4	2	1	-	6	2	105	4,215
Females,	3	1	-	2	13	-	2	-	1	-	1	1	-	4,560
Incidents of other States,														
Average number,	10.42	11.	4.27	4.85	12.04	-	.75	2.	1.04	-	3.86	1.61	115.86	6,705.99
Discharges, viz. :—														
Recovered,	4	8	-	2	20	-	2	-	1	-	2	2	19	2,356
Much improved,	1	3	-	-	10	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	435
Improved,	1	3	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	270
Not improved,	1	1	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	268
Not insane,	1	1	-	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	703
Died,	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
									1				4	630

INSANITY IN MASSACHUSETTS.

TABLE XIX. — Concluded.

	Private Asylum, Brookline.	Woodbourne, Jamaica Plain.	Riverview, Baldwinville.	Private Asylum, Norwood.	Newton Nervine.	Alleborough Sanitarium.	Wellesley Nervine.	Locust Grove, Sandwich.	Cutler Retreat, Pepperell.	Sanatorium, Ar- lington Heights.	Framlingham Nervine.	Laurelwood, Newton.	Boarded in Families.	Total for the State.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1898,														6,977
Males	10	7	5	5	14	1	2	2	1	1	4	1	112	8,265
Females	—	5	4	4	12	—	2	2	1	—	4	—	92	3,722
Supported by the State, . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	1,504
by towns,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	66	4,865
by individuals,	10	7	5	5	14	—	2	2	1	—	4	1	18	868
Residents of other States, . .	2	1	—	2	6	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	61
Whole number of admissions, viz :—														2,786
Supported by the State, . .	2	5	1	2	25	—	4	—	1	—	1	1	10	915
by towns,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1,408
by individuals,	2	5	1	2	25	—	4	—	1	—	1	1	8	465
First hospital admissions, . .	2	4	—	—	15	—	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	1,781
Former inmates,	—	1	1	2	10	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	10	1,005
Of this hospital,	—	1	1	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	422
Of other hospitals,	—	—	—	2	6	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	10	583
Among the admissions were														22
Admitted as habitual drunkards, . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Received as voluntary patients, . .	—	—	—	—	23	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	+136

* Many of these were subsequently committed.

THE INSANE IN PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS.

TABLE XX. — Number of State, Town and Private Patients remaining in the Public Hospitals and Asylums for the Insane on the 30th of September, for Thirty-two Years.

YEARS.	WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL.			WORCESTER INSANE ASYLUM.			TAUNTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.			NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.			DANVERS LUNATIC HOSPITAL.		
	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.
1867.	101	143	114	-	-	-	183	132	51	271	49	93	-	-	-
1868.	96	141	145	-	-	-	181	165	40	264	51	106	-	-	-
1869.	51	173	152	-	-	-	145	184	44	234	63	105	-	-	-
1870.	35	193	181	-	-	-	124	208	50	209	73	123	-	-	-
1871.	29	211	181	-	-	-	91	213	78	216	89	116	-	-	-
1872.	25	241	173	-	-	-	85	261	68	230	99	104	-	-	-
1873.	48	244	177	-	-	-	76	290	68	247	101	85	-	-	-
1874.	82	244	159	-	-	-	128	308	72	251	110	75	-	-	-
1875.	42	296	140	-	-	-	135	394	73	262	139	75	-	-	-
1876.	35	320	132	-	-	-	137	485	70	253	148	63	-	-	-
1877.	51	355	122	-	-	-	158	563	55	239	175	61	-	-	-
1878.	77	303	129	-	97	278	134	387	58	198	179	52	80	107	85
1879.	73	300	116	118	253	116	125	378	55	202	184	56	149	334	50
1880.	120	311	102	120	253	119	119	378	59	183	206	57	134	395	78
1881.	114	363	108	95	272	81	81	411	56	176	229	58	112	432	82
1882.	135	442	104	104	277	111	94	414	60	161	244	54	115	442	99
1883.	184	436	111	105	287	111	463	458	59	158	253	58	150	461	110
1884.	170	460	119	109	293	112	472	472	61	154	262	57	153	452	113
1885.	149	464	125	112	293	123	472	472	61	154	262	60	214	434	104
1886.	186	486	123	100	298	113	484	494	66	141	283	65	200	460	104
1887.	135	432	127	93	299	91	449	494	74	104	309	65	165	477	98
1888.	163	491	116	98	297	91	455	494	78	103	309	69	104	504	107
1889.	154	534	121	94	289	94	444	444	79	88	297	61	110	541	108
1890.	180	483	122	82	217	131	463	463	85	101	303	71	142	563	108
1891.	207	491	127	117	294	129	472	472	79	80	302	71	138	575	104
1892.	248	487	135	146	303	108	509	509	84	84	332	73	135	613	115
1893.	223	528	135	139	315	107	533	533	81	81	327	72	142	615	112
1894.	204	576	144	121	326	121	587	587	97	73	390	70	130	660	116
1895.	208	606	147	121	326	118	637	637	91	73	390	73	138	698	112
1896.	273	647	154	114	311	150	564	564	85	75	405	79	180	568	109
1897.	233	540	149	107	325	122	565	565	71	47	388	87	92	604	107
1898.	183	531	160	107	312	156	576	576	74	58	407	98	132	658	100

RECORD OF CASES ADMITTED IN 1897-98.

TABLE XXII. — *Record of Cases admitted within the Year 1897-98 at Five State Hospitals.*

	INSANE.			HABITUAL DRUNKARDS.			AGGREGATES.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Admitted,	941	820	1,761	1	21	22	942	841	1,783
Discharged recovered,	122	76	198	-	2	2	122	78	200
much improved,	44	37	81	-	4	4	44	41	85
improved,	53	49	102	-	-	-	53	49	102
not improved,	100	81	181	-	-	-	100	81	181
not insane,	16	11	27	1	10	11	17	21	38
Died,	92	54	146	-	-	-	92	54	146
Remaining Sept. 30, 1898,	514	512	1,026	-	5	5	514	517	1,031
Number likely to recover or improve,*	130	118	248	-	-	-	130	118	248

* None of the 153 cases remaining at Westborough are reported under this head.

FORMS OF MENTAL DISEASE.

TABLE XXIII.—*Forms of Mental Disease in Cases Admitted or Discharged at Five State Hospitals, with Condition on Discharge—1897-98.*

FORMS OF DISEASE.	Cases admitted in the year ending Sept. 30, 1898.	CASES DISCHARGED, 1897-98.					
		Recovered.	Much Improved.	Improved.	Not Improved.	Died.	Aggravated.
1. <i>Insane.</i>							
Mania, acute,	130	72	12	9	11	17	121
chronic,	39	5	5	7	18	17	47
recurrent,	57	23	16	8	-	1	48
puerperal and hysterical, . . .	17	5	5	5	1	1	17
Melancholia, acute,	215	66	31	25	19	30	171
chronic,	32	-	11	12	4	16	43
recurrent,	8	3	4	2	1	2	12
Dementia, primary,	174	1	17	24	62	9	113
secondary,	79	-	12	10	25	37	84
senile,	144	-	6	8	9	94	117
organic,	39	-	5	5	3	17	30
Monomania,	111	-	7	16	39	6	68
Acute confusional insanity, . . .	60	21	11	8	4	5	49
Paralysis,	22	-	-	1	1	11	13
Paresis,	132	-	8	6	13	76	103
Epilepsy and epileptic insanity, . .	88	2	9	10	124	18	163
Toxic insanity, alcoholic, etc., . .	196	121	16	12	25	9	183
Hypochondriacal insanity, . . .	3	-	-	-	-	1	1
Chorea,	3	-	-	-	-	2	2
Paranoia,	84	-	18	19	17	4	58
Sexual neurasthenia,	3	2	-	-	-	-	2
Congenital,	32	2	2	8	12	1	25
Idiocy and imbecility,	64	-	4	7	22	6	39
2. <i>Habitual Drunkards,</i>	19	2	5	-	10	-	17
3. <i>Not Insane, — Voluntary cases,</i> . . .	32	-	-	1	37	3	41
Total of cases,	1,783	325	204	203	452	383	1,567
Total of persons,	1,763	-	-	-	-	-	1,559

TABLE XXIV. — Concluded.

ASSIGNED CAUSES.	MCLLEAN HOSPITAL, WATKINS.			BOSTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.			TOTAL.			PREVIOUS ATTACKS.			HEREDITARY PREDISPOSITION.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1. <i>Physical</i> :—															
Congenital,	1	1	2	8	2	10	63	19	82	7	3	10	29	23	52
Heredity,	10	20	30	4	8	12	85	51	136	37	37	74	52	72	124
Ill health,	1	5	6	3	13	16	21	41	62	1	3	4	1	14	15
Senility,	1	1	2	14	23	37	101	89	190	3	3	6	9	8	17
Narcotics,	1	1	2	2	—	2	5	5	10	1	—	1	1	1	2
Disipation,	—	—	—	2	—	2	2	—	2	1	—	1	2	—	2
Intemperance,	—	—	—	—	—	—	196	77	273	81	7	88	34	10	44
Masturbation,	7	1	8	13	18	31	49	18	67	2	2	4	7	2	9
Sexual excesses,	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	7	2	2	4	1	4	5
Overwork,	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	24	35	2	2	4	1	4	5
Privation,	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	—	1
Pregnancy,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	5	—	3	3	—	1	1
Menopause,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	41	3	5	8	1	6	7
Puerperal,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	30	—	1	1	—	1	1
Uterine,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscarriage,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Menstrual disorders,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
A poplexy, cerebral hemorrhage, etc.,	1	1	2	1	1	2	14	12	26	1	1	2	1	2	3
Epilepsy,	—	—	—	1	4	5	40	29	69	1	—	1	9	4	13
Chorea,	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	2	12	—	—	—	5	3	8
Paralysis,	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Locomotor ataxia,	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nervous exhaustion,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Injuries,	—	—	—	—	—	—	39	15	54	4	1	5	5	1	6
Sunstroke, heat,	—	—	—	9	1	10	12	3	15	2	1	3	1	1	2
Influenza,	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	4	5	12	1	13	1	1	2
La Grippe,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bright's disease,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculous,	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—

PROBABLE CAUSES OF MENTAL DISEASE.

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CAUSES OF DEATH.

3. Diseases of Circulatory System :—																										
Apoplexy,	5	4	9	2	1	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	8	17
Cerebral hemorrhage,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	3	3
Heart disease, organic,	2	3	5	1	2	3	6	—	—	6	—	—	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	9	21	3
Heart failure,	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	1
Thrombosis,	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
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Aneurism,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
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Cancer of stomach,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gastritis,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peritonitis,	2	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enteritis,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. General Causes :—																										
Nephritis,	2	1	3	—	—	—	2	3	5	2	1	—	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	3	9
Tuberculosis,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	6
Senility,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	6
Septicæmia,	1	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	3
Carcinoma,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3
Gangrene,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	3
Suicide,	1	2	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	1	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	8
Miscellaneous,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	8
Totals,	57	44	101	46	86	82	32	17	49	63	44	107	28	16	44	7	6	13	25	27	52	258	190	448	7	20

TABLE XXVI. — Duration before Admission in Cases Recovered or Died in the Last Official Year at Seven Hospitals — 1897-98.

PERIOD.	WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				TAUNTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				DANVERS LUNATIC HOSPITAL.			
	RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Congenital,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Under 1 month,	21	18	8	6	18	9	6	9	15	8	1	1	25	7	9	1
From 1 to 3 months,	18	9	7	8	5	4	3	5	3	3	3	2	4	8	9	2
3 to 6 months,	3	1	1	2	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	3	-	5	4	1
6 to 12 months,	6	1	8	5	-	2	5	3	1	2	2	3	-	5	7	3
1 to 2 years,	5	2	3	2	1	3	6	5	-	1	6	3	-	2	8	10
2 to 5 years,	6	2	8	7	-	1	11	1	1	1	6	-	-	-	13	18
5 to 10 years,	1	1	3	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	1	-	-	3	6
Over 10 years,	1	-	3	1	-	-	3	2	-	-	10	4	-	-	2	3
Unknown,	20	11	16	10	4	5	9	7	3	-	-	-	1	-	7	-
Total of cases,	76	45	57	44	28	24	46	36	23	17	32	17	30	27	62	44
Total of persons,	74	45	57	44	28	24	46	36	23	17	32	17	30	27	62	44
Average period of known cases (in months),	12.	5.64	27.31	24.97	8.43	5.76	51.09	32.29	2.2	3.2	191.	55.5	0.71	4.55	27.53	35.86

DURATION BEFORE ADMISSION.

TABLE XXVI. — Concluded.

PERIOD.	WESTBOROUGH INSANE HOSPITAL.				McLEAN HOSPITAL, WAVERLEY.				BOSTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				AGGREGATES.			
	RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.		RECOVERED.		DIED.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Congenital,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2
Under 1 month,	5	13	5	3	5	10	1	-	3	10	-	2	92	75	30	22
From 1 to 3 months,	5	11	6	1	4	9	2	-	3	2	1	2	37	46	31	20
3 to 6 months,	1	4	2	2	5	2	-	4	2	4	3	2	11	18	11	15
6 to 12 months,	-	1	1	1	2	4	1	-	1	1	6	3	10	16	30	18
1 to 2 years,	1	1	1	2	-	1	1	2	5	1	3	4	12	11	23	23
2 to 5 years,	1	1	5	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	7	6	9	5	51	33
5 to 10 years,	2	-	3	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	2	3	2	15	15
Over 10 years,	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	1	-	22	15
Unknown,	3	6	4	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	32	22	36	22
Total of cases,	18	37	28	16	16	26	7	6	16	19	25	27	207	195	257	190
Total of persons,	18	37	28	16	16	26	7	6	16	19	25	27	205	195	257	190
Average period of known cases (in months),	14.40	3.04	31.05	39.72	2.39	2.87	20.39	7.16	9.5	5.53	33.26	66.47	7.54	4.42	52.8	38.12

HISTORICAL VIEW OF THE STATE HOSPITALS.

TABLE XXVII. — *Cases of Previous Years at Five State Hospitals, Recovered or Died in 1897-98, or Undischarged.*

REMAINING OF THOSE ADMITTED IN THE OFFICIAL YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30.	WORCESTER LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				TAUNTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				NORTHAMPTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				DANVERS LUNATIC HOSPITAL.				WESTBOROUGH INSANE HOSPITAL.				TOTAL.				Official Year.	
	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Otherwise Discharged.	Remaining.					
1863 and previous, .	3	-	-	3	5	-	-	5	10	-	1	9	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	18	-	1	17	1863
1864, .	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	1864
1865, .	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	1865
1866, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	2	1866
1867, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1867
1868, .	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	1868
1869, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	1869
1870, .	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	1870
1871, .	4	-	-	4	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8	1871
1872, .	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	4	1872
1873, .	2	-	-	2	5	-	-	5	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	10	1873
1874, .	3	-	-	3	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	5	1874
1875, .	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	12	1875
1876, .	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	4	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	8	1876
1877, .	10	-	1	9	9	-	-	9	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	-	1	26	1877
1878, .	9	-	-	8	4	-	-	4	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	20	1878

AVERAGE DURATION OF INSANITY.

TABLE XXVIII. — *Average Duration (in Months) of Cases Recovered or Died at Seven Hospitals in Nineteen Years.*

	AVERAGE IN 1897-98.			AVERAGES OF PREVIOUS EIGHTEEN YEARS.			NINETEEN YEARS' AVERAGES.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Whole number of recoveries,	207	165	402	3,843	3,112	6,455	3,550	2,307	6,857
of deaths,	258	190	448	3,502	2,782	6,284	3,760	2,972	6,732
Duration before admission — cases recovered,	7.59	4.23	5.95	6.51	10.23	8.33	6.56	9.91	8.18
cases died,	52.15	34.25	44.33	41.49	36.73	39.23	42.11	36.55	39.65
Hospital residences — cases recovered,	5.36	5.64	5.51	6.59	10.35	8.35	6.52	10.03	8.77
cases died,	31.82	33.79	33.66	29.21	30.63	29.66	29.92	30.33	30.33
Whole duration — cases recovered,	22.44	20.03	21.3	11.02	13.01	14.36	11.71	13.12	14.8
cases died,	82.86	68.73	76.82	64.47	72.92	68.31	65.99	72.67	68.72

RESULTS OF DIFFERENT ADMISSIONS.

TABLE XXIX. — *Results of Different Admissions at Seven Hospitals.*

	OFFICIAL YEAR, 1897-98.			NINETEEN YEARS, 1880-98.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Whole number discharged,	937	914	1,851	16,272	15,291	31,563
On First Admissions,	709	724	1,493	18,416	12,329	25,745
viz.:—Recovered,	169	144	313	2,936	2,606	5,542
Died,	228	167	385	3,190	2,620	5,810
Otherwise,	372	423	795	7,290	7,103	14,393
On Second Admissions,	117	125	242	1,999	1,944	3,943
viz.:—Recovered,	24	35	59	374	416	790
Died,	24	25	49	384	309	693
Otherwise,	69	65	134	1,241	1,219	2,460
On Third Admission,	25	44	69	447	548	995
viz.:—Recovered,	4	8	12	93	125	218
Died,	3	6	9	66	62	128
Otherwise,	18	30	48	288	361	649
On Fourth or Subsequent Admission,	26	21	47	407	462	869
viz.:—Recovered,	11	8	19	134	157	291
Died,	3	2	5	41	46	87
Otherwise,	12	11	23	232	259	491
Whole number of persons discharged,	931	910	1,841	-	-	-

PARENTAGE AND CIVIL CONDITION.

TABLE XXX. — *Parentage of 31,269 Cases Admitted within the last Nineteen Years at Seven Hospitals of Massachusetts.*

PLACES OF PARENT-NATIVITY.	MALES (15,957).		FEMALES (15,312).		TOTAL (31,269).	
	Fathers.	Mothers.	Fathers.	Mothers.	Fathers.	Mothers.
Massachusetts, . . .	3,594	3,655	2,895	2,905	6,489	6,560
Other States, . . .	2,438	2,463	2,048	2,162	4,536	4,625
Total American, . .	6,032	6,118	4,943	5,067	11,025	11,185
Total foreign, viz.:—	8,411	8,364	8,750	8,632	17,161	16,996
Canada,	1,022	1,060	1,056	1,129	2,078	2,189
Great Britain, . . .	1,118	1,041	1,043	927	2,156	1,968
Ireland,	5,065	5,098	5,655	5,661	10,720	10,759
Other countries, . . .	1,211	1,165	1,096	915	2,207	2,080
Unknown,	1,464	1,475	1,619	1,613	3,083	3,088
Total,	15,957	15,957	15,312	15,312	31,269	31,269

TABLE XXXI. — *Civil Condition of 32,941 Cases Admitted at Seven Hospitals within Nineteen Years past.*

CIVIL CONDITION.	YEAR OF 1897-98.			TOTAL FOR NINETEEN YEARS.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Unmarried,	550	406	956	7,967	6,870	14,337
Married,	427	458	885	7,406	6,859	14,265
Widowed,	107	191	298	1,259	2,771	4,030
Divorced,	7	9	16	34	61	95
Unknown,	4	2	6	141	73	214
Total,	1,095	1,066	2,161	16,807	16,134	32,941

OCCUPATIONS OF PERSONS ADMITTED, ETC.

TABLE XXXII. — *Occupations of Persons Admitted at Seven Hospitals, 1880-98.*

OCCUPATIONS.	OFFICIAL YEAR, 1897-98.			NINETEEN YEARS, 1880-98.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Educated or professional, . . .	51	27	78	1,096	506	1,602
Domestic,	15	158	173	182	2,884	3,066
Farmers,	91	15	106	1,507	349	1,856
Housekeepers,	-	378	378	-	5,051	5,051
Laborers,	211	54	265	3,385	667	4,052
Mechanical,	318	86	404	5,270	1,733	7,003
Operatives,	67	68	135	965	1,064	2,029
Traders,	115	29	144	1,917	528	2,415
Miscellaneous,	82	20	102	751	314	1,065
No occupation, or unknown, . . .	143	229	372	1,723	3,014	4,737
TOTAL,	1,093	1,063	2,156	16,796	16,109	32,905

TABLE XXXIII. — *Admissions, Readmissions and Recoveries.*

YEARS ENDING SEPT. 30.		Whole Number of Admissions.	Reported First Admissions.	Reported Read- missions.	First Hospital Admissions, — Persons.	True Readmis- sions.	Reported Re- apses after recoveries.	Reported Recov- eries.
1881-97.	Worcester,	7,182	6,081	1,151	5,139	2,943	455	1,519
	Taunton,	5,427	4,466	961	4,040	1,387	381	1,080
	Northampton,	2,739	2,142	597	1,963	776	224	545
	Danvers,	7,240	6,076	1,164	5,269	1,971	359	1,267
	Westborough,	3,729	2,481	1,248	2,413	1,316	152	869
	TOTAL FOR SEVENTEEN YEARS,	26,317	21,196	5,121	18,824	8,393	1,571	5,230
1897-98.	Worcester,	488	417	71	361	127	18	121
	Taunton,	362	299	63	274	88	15	52
	Northampton,	213	158	55	155	58	15	40
	Danvers,	451	381	70	342	109	18	57
	Westborough,	269	208	61	173	96	16	55
	Total, 1897-98,	1,783	1,463	320	1,305	478	82	325
EIGHTEEN YEARS,		28,100	22,659	5,441	20,129	8,871	1,653	5,555

APPENDIX II.

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Names of Persons sent from Boston out of the State, or to places within the State, by the Superintendent of State Adult Poor, during the Year ending September 30, 1898, under the Provisions of Public Statutes, Chapter 79, Section 14, viz. : —

"If a state pauper who has received a permit from the overseers of the poor of a city or town to become an inmate of the state almshouse expresses a preference to be sent to any state or place where he has a legal settlement, or friends willing to support him, the board may remove said pauper, instead of committing him, if in its judgment the interest of the commonwealth and of the pauper will be promoted thereby; but no person shall be so removed, unless, in the judgment of said overseers and of the board, he will become a charge to the state for at least one year; and the board shall return, in its annual report, the names of all persons so removed, the places whence removed, and the cost of each removal."

Date.	NAME.	Age.	Where Sent.	Expense.
1897.				
Oct. 14,	Alonzo F. Bollard,	31	Lewiston, Me.,	\$2 50
14,	Thomas F. Couren,	35	Fitchburg, Mass.,	1 25
14,	John J. Couren,	11	Fitchburg, Mass.,	63
14,	Gertrude R. Couren,	8	Fitchburg, Mass.,	62
15,	Ellen Reed,	70	Lawrence, Mass.,	60
28,	Edwin W. Haskell,	29	Brattleboro, Vt.,	3 25
Nov. 4,	John Murphy,	45	Springfield, Mass.,	2 23
4,	James Murphy,	9	Springfield, Mass.,	1 12
4,	Jerry Murphy,	7	Springfield, Mass.,	1 11
4,	Charles Murphy,	4	Springfield, Mass.,	-
12,	Elisba Churchill,	21	Newfoundland,	18 00
13,	Nora Murphy,	32	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
13,	Albert J. Todd,	22	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
15,	Henry C. Maloney,	26	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
16,	Annie Bailey,	25	Bernice, Pa.,	13 37
16,	Angus Bailey,	2	Bernice, Pa.,	-
16,	Alice Bailey,	1	Bernice, Pa.,	-
Dec. 1,	Francis Tanner,	57	Putnam, N. Y.,	5 77
10,	Charles S. Reinhart,	35	Lanesville, Mass.,	1 00
10,	Robert Reinhart,	2	Lanesville, Mass.,	-
28,	Edward Stiles,	16	Brooklyn, N. Y.,	2 25
1898.				
Jan. 15,	George F. Shannon,	24	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
17,	Frank C. Sweetzer,	58	Tilton, N. H.,	2 13
17,	James H. Shippee,	22	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
20,	Franklin Pease,	56	Hartford, Conn.,	2 75
Feb. 16,	Harold E. Way,	12	Chicago, Ill.,	16 50
16,	Lizzie Sullivan,	17	Worcester, Mass.,	1 00
16,	Mary Ballantine,	20	Worcester, Mass.,	1 00
March 14,	Agnes Mark,	15	Brooklyn, N. Y.,	3 00
14,	Harry H. Spencer,	28	Montreal, Can.,	8 00
16,	Mary Taylor,	24	Newark, O.,	16 75
16,	Charles Tarbox,	51	Providence, R. I.,	1 00
16,	Laura Tarbox,	36	Providence, R. I.,	1 00
16,	Etta Tarbox,	1	Providence, R. I.,	-
18,	John Jones,	39	Yarmouth, Mass.,	1 85
19,	Henry Haeger,	17	New York, N. Y.,	2 25

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Persons sent out of the State — Concluded.

Date.	NAME.	Age.	Where Sent.	Expense.
1898.				
March	25, Mary E. Everhart,	55	Providence, R. I.,	\$1 00
	26, John T. Ryan,	47	Philadelphia, Pa.,	5 50
	29, Thomas Ryan,	5	Philadelphia, Pa.,	-
April	4, Clara Reed,	24	Phillips, Me.,	6 15
	11, Henry Redman,	70	Exeter, N. H.,	1 50
	18, Augustine H. Cookson,	59	Togus, Me.,	2 00
	18, Mary Fay,	45	Portland, Me.,	1 00
	18, Margaret Jennings,	25	Portland, Me.,	1 00
	21, Nettie Hirschman,	28	Chester, Vt.,	3 42
	21, Alice Hirschman,	4	Chester, Vt.,	-
	23, Sadie F. Bishop,	23	New Bedford, Mass.,	1 35
	23, Ethel M. Bishop,	1	New Bedford, Mass.,	-
	23, Howard H. Stott,	36	Philadelphia, Pa.,	5 50
	25, Mary M. Stott,	28	Philadelphia, Pa.,	5 50
	27, George Western,	68	Bridgeport, Conn.,	3 88
May	4, Michael Welsh,	32	Kovno, Russia,	86 00
	13, Mary Fitzgerald,	34	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
	17, Edith A. Dunn,	33	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
	17, Flora M. Dunn,	10	New York, N. Y.,	1 50
	17, William Dunn,	8	New York, N. Y.,	1 50
	17, Charles L. Hunt,	20	New York, N. Y.,	8 00
	17, Herman Nylund,	21	Berlin Mills, N. H.,	5 48
	18, Francesco Amaldino,	29	Naples, Italy,	*13 50
	18, Dennis Conghlin,	40	Chicago, Ill.,	18 00
	19, Norman W. Shippee,	20	Providence, R. I.,	1 00
	20, William Brown,	21	Atlantic, N. J.,	6 50
	24, Charles Peck,	17	New York, N. Y.,	2 25
	26, John Fones,	23	Little Rock, Ark.,	35 00
	26, Daniel McKenzie,	61	Halifax, N. S.,	6 00
June	1, Hiram Johnson,	29	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	1, Annie Johnson,	27	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	6, Sarah Cook,	64	Prince Edward Island,	10 00
	6, James Flynn,	12	Prince Edward Island,	9 25
	6, Daniel Horrigan,	45	Halifax, N. S.,	7 50
	6, May Horrigan,	9	Halifax, N. S.,	3 75
	13, Charles Freedman,	12	St. John, N. B.,	5 00
	23, Lizzie Payne,	19	Mullingar, Ire.,	28 50
	23, William Williams,	34	Penzance, Eng.,	33 50
	25, Lilian McDonald,	22	Halifax, N. S.,	6 50
	30, Lilly Foden,	30	Liverpool, Eng.,	25 50
	30, Nellie Foden,	3	Liverpool, Eng.,	12 75
	30, Mary Foden,	3	Liverpool, Eng.,	12 75
	30, John Boylan,	14	New York, N. Y.,	2 25
July	14, Rosanna Malone,	35	Belfast, Ire.,	25 50
	21, John Corcoran,	66	South Norwalk, Conn.,	4 01
	25, William F. Burns,	16	Providence, R. I.,	1 00
	26, Mary Hopkine,	29	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	27, William King,	13	Utica, N. Y.,	3 20
Aug.	3, Addie Frazer,	30	Burlington, Vt.,	7 00
	16, James Gibson,	59	New York, N. Y.,	8 00
	18, Charles Peck,	18	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
	18, Jane Ridlow,	28	New York, N. Y.,	5 00
	19, Lola Corwin,	18	Barre, Vt.,	5 20
	23, John Love,	16	Fall River, Mass.,	1 20
	24, John McKinley,	41	Bath, Me.,	1 25
Sept.	1, Patrick Linehan,	56	Springfield, Mass.,	2 23
	3, John H. O'Brien,	17	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
	3, James J. Murray,	18	New York, N. Y.,	3 00
	6, Herbert Young,	25	Pittsfield, N. H.,	2 00
	13, Earl Lavanche,	27	Meriden, Conn.,	3 13
	13, Minnie Lavanche,	26	Meriden, Conn.,	3 13
	15, Joseph Schwab,	60	St. Josephs, Mich.,	*5 00
	22, Michael Kallack,	50	Galway, Ire.,	29 45
	22, Minnie Jones,	29	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	22, Patrick Walsh,	53	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	24, William H. Sweeney,	31	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	24, Edward J. Powers,	28	New York, N. Y.,	4 00
	28, Annie Crocker,	15	Falmouth, Mass.,	1 65

* Part fare.

